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GRAND OPENING!

Our Retail Department will be opened to-morrow (MONDAY) Afternoon and Evening, when we shall be most happy to see all of our old friends and customers, and all others.

Our WHOLE STOCK, both Wholesale and Retail, will be on exhibition.

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W. W. KIMBALL FURNITURE CO.,

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FOLLANSBEE & SON,

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Have removed to their Old Location,

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CAMERON, AMBERG & CO.,

STATIONERS,

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MAY NOW BE FOUND AT

35 & 37 South Canal-st.,

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To place the security of its policies beyond the power of adverse contingencies. Nothing containing any element of hazard is truly safe unless more than apparently safe; a purely Mutual Company has no resource whatever beyond the premiums charged upon its policies; wherefore these premiums must be apparently higher than any foreseen contingency will exhaust, or future solvency is in peril.

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ALEX. S. BRADLEY,

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And Solicitor in Bankruptcy, northeast corner Madison and Clark-sts. Late Register in Bankruptcy, Nashville, Tenn.

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1, 1¼, 1½, and 2-inch siding; 1, 1¼ & 1½ dry stock boards; 2-inch common flooring; 50,000 dry Saginaw boards; 100,000 wide common boards; 150,000 1-inch common boards; 100,000 cull boards.

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Fine Raisins, Figs, Currants, canned goods, and fancy fruits generally, for the Holiday trade, at

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A Splendid Assortment

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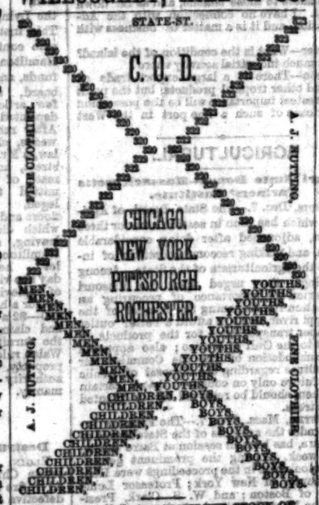

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ADDITIONS TO OUR STOCK RECEIVED DAILY FROM OUR NEW YORK BROADWAY HOUSE.

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BRANCH, 48 WEST MADISON-ST.

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BROWN & CO.,

TAILORS,

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Will, from this date, make the most stylish garments from the best fabrics at prices that defy competition.

Good Overcoats from $40 upward.

Chicago, Dec. 3, 1872.

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Call and Examine our Extensive List.

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Real Estate and Renting Agency,

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Seven well-built, comfortable brick houses on corner of Rush and Illinois-sts., supplied with city conveniences. Wm. S. JOHNSTON, 6 Exchange Building.

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COAL.

Three 40 tons of the best hard coal. I will deliver for $11.50 per ton, any kind. Orders and cash can be left with G. W. SPOFFORD, Room 4, Morrison Block, cor. Clark and Madison-sts.

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WILL SELL

Watches, Clocks, and Jewelry

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Call and get PRICES.

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White China Gold Band and Decorated Dinner Sets.
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Finest assortment in the city, at

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Rich Holiday Goods.

We will open our new store, 105 State-st., for business, on Monday morning. We have one of the finest assortments of goods in our line in the country, and respectfully solicit your patronage.

E. C. LAURENCE & CO.,
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We are authorized to sell, at a decided bargain, the 163x170 feet on the northeast corner of State and Twenty-first-sts.

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Cheapest Lots in the Market!

Corner of Harrison and Tyler-sts. and Kedzie-av., at $600 and $700, on very easy terms. Seventy new houses erected within three blocks, with city water. For sale by WILLIAM H. CONDON, 24 South Canal-st.

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Terms Reduced to $2.00 per Day.

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NOTICE.

Having unfortunately recovered from my recent severe illness, I would respectfully ask my friends and former patrons, and all others wishing ARTISTIC EMBROIDERY in MONOGRAMS, INITIALS, &c., to call and see me at my residence, 32 North Hoyne-st. Persons wishing work done for the Holidays will please call early.

MRS. F. CUSTER,
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Candies—Purest and cheapest in the city. Sunday Schools supplied at low rates. Christmas trees and ornaments. Wholesale and retail. 626 West Lake-st. Factory 128 North May-st.

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Class I for 1872: 26, 5, 34, 3, 11, 70.

For circulars, address SMITH, SIMMONS & CO., Box 628, Covington, Ky.

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At Culver, Page, Hoyne & Co.'s,

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GO TO JOHN JONES & CO.,

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And get your Clothes thoroughly cleaned and neatly repaired.

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B. F. NORRIS & CO.,

The largest store in the West, and cheapest prices for

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Open every evening until after Christmas.

187 & 189 STATE-ST.,

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SEVENTY-FIVE FIRST PREMIUMS AWARDED FOR BEST PIANO.

20,000 have been manufactured and are now in use.

300 Smith's American Organs,

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Respectfully announce that they have opened THEIR OWN WAREROOMS

IN CHICAGO,

which for the present (until the completion of a new building) will be at

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It is the intention of the Company to keep in Chicago, for the direct supply of the Northwestern Trade and Late Trade,

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Terms and prices will be the same in Boston, New York and Chicago.

ILLUSTRATED CATALOGUES AND TESTIMONIAL CIRCULARS FREE.

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Those desirous of purchasing a thoroughly reliable and strictly first-class Piano in every respect, should examine the

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It has been manufactured for the past fifty years. Has borne the test of time, the most severe of critics, and is still conceded to be the standard instrument of this country. These Pianos furnished on monthly instalments, at A. REED & SONS', Reed's Temple of Music, 81 Sixteenth-st.

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AT OUR NEW SALESROOMS,

211 STATE-ST.

SOLD ON INSTALMENTS.

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TO LOAN in sums of not less than $5,000 at 10 per cent interest, on Chicago real estate.

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WANTED—A few adjusted claims of the Lumbermen's Insurance Co.

HENRY H. BROWN, 20 LaSalle-st.

Loans Negotiated

On real estate, in the city & suburbs, at current rates.

G. S. HUBBARD, Jr.,

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WANTED.

$5,000 REPUBLIC INS. CERTIFICATES.

A. C. SLAUGHTER,
Corner Clark and Madison-sts.

DRY GOODS.

GREAT REDUCTIONS

And we will make prices in DRY GOODS for the Holidays, at CULLEY & HOLCOMBE'S, 237 West Madison-st. During the month of December, and for the first week in January, we will sell as follows:

Fine Plaid Velvets	$ 50	worth $1.00
Fine Empress Cloth	1.00	worth 1.50
Fine Merinos	50	worth 1.00
All All Wool Plaids	50	worth 1.00
Hyde Park Poplins	50	worth 1.00
Cloaks	$4.00 to $6.00	worth 5.00 to 8.00
Cloth Skirts	3.00	worth 5.00
Ottoman Shawls	4.00	worth 6.00
Velveteens, in colors	12½	worth 20
Canton Flannels	12½	worth 20
Genuine Mink Sets	$5.00	worth $8.00
Fine Children's Sets	$2.50	worth 4.00

And a general reduction in all Dry Goods. We have a large stock which must be sold, and we will make prices to effect a sale.

West Madison-st., opposite Aberdeen.

I. O. O. F.

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The members of Peace Lodge, No. 314, I. O. O. F., and the order in general, are hereby notified that the Lodge will dedicate their new hall, 74 State-st., on Monday evening next, Dec. 9, at 7 o'clock. A good attendance is requested. Fraternally yours,

THOMAS R. COITENY, N. G.

L. GERF, Secretary.

INSURANCE.

1859 Charter Perpetual. 1872.

FRANKLIN FIRE Insurance Company

OF PHILADELPHIA.

Capital,	$400,000.00
Accrued Surplus & Premiums,	2,916,316.88
Cash Assets, Nov. 30, 1872,	$3,316,316.88
Premiums, October, 1872,	$252,780 70
Premiums, November, 1872,	301,876.64
	$554,657.34
Amount insured in the Burned District, Boston,	$458,196.00
Amount insured on Outskirts of same,	39,500.00

It has been definitely ascertained that $32,000 will cover all claims upon the last item, while salvages already determined indicate a net loss of not over

$400,000

THE PROPOSED NORTHWESTERN SHOPS.

Considerable interest is felt in what may be the effect of the probable change in the administration of the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad on the project of building the great shops in Section 10, a mile west of Central Park. It was well understood that this project was, to a considerable extent, a matter of speculation which received Mr. Tracy's encouragement. The shops cannot be begun until next spring, but if at the next election a new President is elected, and a new policy is adopted, it may interfere to some extent with the project. The Northwestern roads are, however, getting to be so extensive that a concentration of its repair work is getting to be a necessity, and, as no better spot can be selected than that already taken, it seems that the chances are in favor of the completion of the project as indorsed by Mr. Tracy.

SWAMP LOT SWINDLES.

A month ago we referred to a land swindle in the subdivision of a lot of swamp land six miles west of Washington Heights, into lots 20 feet front by 80 feet deep, that were being sold to ignorant laborers for $5 apiece, and again to a similar swindle in swamp lots, five or six miles south of South Chicago. We are glad to see at last that one party to this kind of swindling, one George W. Scott, has been arrested and taken before Judge Blodgett, of the United States District Court, to answer to an indictment found by the Grand Jury, charging him with defrauding the Government. There are three counts against Scott, each of which is for the non-stamping of deeds given for some of that "West Chicago Boulevard" property he has been giving away.

NORTH SIDE MATTERS.

The movement for the extension southward of the Lake Shore drive to Indiana street is making good progress, and right of way has been given, within the past week, by several parties. The list is nearly complete, and the great improvement is secured. It will be finished next year, and placed in charge of the Lincoln Park Board, under park rates, which will insure the character of the drive for all time to come.

The improvement for residence purposes of the Catholic Cemetery, some thirty acres lying east of Dearborn street, south of Lincoln Park, is assured. Right of way is to be given for State street, and the whole magnificent tract will be laid out and planted another year, and put upon the market. Bishop Foley has refused large speculative offers for this splendid property in bulk, and will control it for the best class of residence development in keeping with the quarter of the city to which it is to become so considerable an addition.

The proposition for the pavement of Cass street is being generally received by property owners, who desire to maintain it a quiet residence street.

The old familiar names of residents on the North Side are coming back into the pages of the Directory and THE TRIBUNE carriers' lists. Henry W. King has just entered into occupancy of the completed portion of his costly residence on the corner of Rush and Huron streets, which, when finished, will represent a value of over forty thousand dollars. Julian H. Sumner, Hon. John M. Douglas, Mrs. J. S. Read, have within a short time entered into new residences in this quarter. A. C. Hesing is building at the corner of Cass and Huron streets two beautiful brownstone, swell-front dwellings, with Corinthian porches, for himself and son, to be ready for occupancy by May, when Mr. H. hopes to celebrate his silver wedding in his new home. We hope he may observe his golden wedding on the same premises.

Very many residences are projected and planned; in numerous cases under contract for early spring work. It is noticeable that in sufficiently numerous cases to assume a marked character to the quarter of the city, these North Side houses will be detached structures on large lots, and the fire ordinances, to say nothing of the taste of owners, will dictate their permanent character.

The joists for the main floor of St. James' Church have been laid, and the walls will rise next spring, for completion and occupancy before Christmas. The gables of the Fourth Presbyterian Church, Rev. Mr. Swing's, are nearly finished.

THE CLARK STREET RAILWAY.

The block on Clark street, between Washington

REAL ESTATE.

The Prospects of Chicago Business Property Next Year.

Suburban Notes—The North Side—The Bishop's Tract.

The Clark Street Railway—Academy of Sciences, Hotels, Etc., Etc.

Summary of Transfers for the Week.

There are not many special features to note in connection with real estate speculations this week. The notes of new enterprises which filled our real estate columns with news items last spring and summer are lacking now, because the general stringency of money prevents the inauguration of new enterprises and speculations in land and in building. We can think of half-a-dozen projects of this kind that have been talked of but are not likely to be carried out, because there seems to be no surplus money to undertake new ventures. Many of the land proprietors who have been most prominent in real estate speculations are obliged to concentrate every dollar of their resources on the completion of new business buildings; others, who have been a little too greedy in their endeavors to buy and control all the land that adjoined theirs, find they must have something that is more immediately available just now than outside lands to raise money on. Whatever may be the effect of this condition of affairs on suburban lands held for speculation, it is apparent that all the grand buildings that have been started are bound to be completed in the fullest degree contemplated. There is so much money invested in them already that, even if those who began them should come to grief, their creditors will be bound to advance the money to complete them. The result will be that, even if individuals suffer some loss, the city at large will receive the benefit of the investment of an immense amount of capital that will make its business quarter one of the finest in the world. The inducements offered to merchants in the way of magnificent stores and the probability of low rents for a year are a bonus offered to capital to embark in trade here, and will undoubtedly be the means of drawing a large amount from abroad for that purpose. Owners of business property, of course, feel a little sore at the prospect of low rents; but if it should be found that business rents are lower in 1873 than for some years previous, there can be no question that it will be the basis of a greater prosperity in Chicago trade, and be the forerunner of a greater advance in the value of real estate than has ever been experienced here. The full effect of over-building has already been discounted in the shrinkage for some months past of low rents next year, and prices of Chicago business property have for some time past been down to the "hard pan." From this there can be no reasonable expectation of a change in any direction but an increase of values.

SUBURBAN LANDS

are not so readily sold as a month or two ago. This is partly due to the causes enumerated above, but is partly only one of the incidents of this season of the year, when such speculative purchases usually fall off anyhow. There are, however, a good many important transactions in outside lands yet at fair prices, one of which was completed by Mr. H. L. Hill within a few days in the sale of 20 acres in the E ½ of the S E ¼ of Section 19, Town 38 north range 14, East, being east of and adjoining South Lyons, for $50,000, nearly ¼ cash, and 30 lots on Milwaukee avenue between Western avenue and Oakley street for $18,500. We hear also of one or two other negotiations now pending for both suburban lands and inside property to an aggregate amount of about $200,000.

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NORTH MISSOURI INS. CO.

Assets Over $900,000.00.

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POLICIES ISSUED AT FAIR, EQUITABLE RATES.

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WANTED, TO EXCHANGE.

A choice 7-acre Block, or a fine 80-foot Residence Lot on North Side, best location, for a nice modern-built Brick or Stone Residence, with 25-foot Lot, on West Side, in good location. Will pay some cash. Address G. B., 180 West Washington-st.

EDUCATIONAL.

Chicago Conservatory of Music,

338 Indiana-av., cor. 20th-st.

Pupils received in Piano, Organ, Voice, &c., &c. $25 a term in class; $40 in private.

Tuning charges $125 each, collectable in February 1, 1873. Pupils may engage room, board, and practice from $25 to $35 a month.

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AUCTION SALES.

By HARRISON & CO.

REGULAR SATURDAY'S SALE OF NEW AND SECOND-HAND

Furniture, Carpets, &c.,

THIS MORNING, AT 9½ O'CLOCK.

HARRISON & CO., Auctioneers, 35 South Canal-st.

50 Sewing Machines,

In perfect working order,

THIS MORNING AT 9½ O'CLOCK.

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ONE EXTRA FINE SECOND-HAND

PIANO

AT AUCTION, THIS MORNING, AT 9½ O'CLOCK.

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ANOTHER CONSIGNMENT OF

2,000 Choice Canary Birds,

All imported and guaranteed singers,

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By GEO. P. GORE & CO.

24, 26, and 28 East Randolph-st.

AT AUCTION.

Parlor and Chamber Sets,
Bedsteads, Bureaus, Wardrobes,
Sofas, Lounges, Mattresses, Tables,
Chairs, Rockers, Mirrors, Pianos,
120 crates W. G. Crockery,
50 Show Cases,
200 Round-end Bedsteads,
175 Extension Tables,
250 rolls Wool Carpet,
140 rolls Floor Oil Cloth,

ON SATURDAY, DEC. 7, AT 9½ O'CLOCK.

GEO. P. GORE & CO., Auctioneers.

PAWNBROKER'S SALE

Of Unredeemed Pledges. Will be sold

AT AUCTION,

Watches of every description, the largest stock ever offered in Chicago, Jewelry, Guns, and Pistols, Musical Instruments, and all kinds of goods on Pawn, Monday, Friday, and Saturday, Dec. 9, at 10 o'clock, by C. C. HARTT, Pawnbroker, 222 East Madison-st. Thirty days' credit on large bills.

Advertisements Received Too Late for Classification.

TO RENT—LARGE AND SMALL ROOMS, furnished or unfurnished, at No. 512 Cottage Grove-av.

MARRIED.

MARKS—HUTCHINSON—On the 3d inst., in the First Church of Southold, Long Island, by the Rev. Robert Whitaker, Mr. Roland P. Marks, of Chicago, to Miss Emma H. Hutchinson, of the former place.

MURPHY—STEBBINS—In this city, Dec. 5, at the residence of O. Grether, Esq., 1296 Michigan-av., by Rev. H. Ryder, D. D., Mr. Henry C. Murphy and Miss Ellie Stebbins.

DIED.

BOWEN—On the 7th inst., Mr. H. H. Bowen, of the firm of La Belle & Bowen, real estate agents, died suddenly yesterday. He had been suffering from weak lungs a long time, and, while in his office, Room 1, 161 Dearborn street, Opera House building, in the afternoon, was attacked with hemorrhage. He managed to get into the hall-way and call for assistance, but before a physician could be summoned he expired. Mr. Bowen was a Canadian by birth, and about 50 years of age. He boarded with his nephew at No. 430 Van Buren street.

Important Banking Suit Decided.

BOSTON, Dec. 6.—The case of the Merchants' National Bank, of Memphis, Tenn., vs. The National Bank of Commerce, of Boston, which came up in the United States Circuit Court for several days, has resulted in a verdict for the plaintiffs for $34,994. The suit was brought to recover damages for negligence on the part of the defendants in giving up to the consignees the bill of lading of a lot of cotton upon acceptance by the consignees of a thirty days' draft, drawn against the shipment, and attached to the bill of lading and sent on to the defendants' bank for collection. The plaintiffs contended that it was the duty of the bank to keep the collateral until the draft was paid, and that by reason of giving up the bill of lading the plaintiffs lose their security, the consignees having failed before the expiration of the thirty days after accepting it.

Sale of Telegraph Lines.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 5.—The proposal of the Western Union Telegraph Company to purchase the Nova Scotia lines has been unanimously accepted, and arrangements will be immediately made to carry the decision into effect.

The New York Judicial Trials.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 6.—The Senate continued the trial of Judge Curtis to-day, and, after a long argument by the defence, the case was adjourned until Jan. 9. The final hearing of the case of Judge Prindle will take place Jan. 6. The Senate adjourned *sine die*.

To Be Hanged.

BOSTON, Dec. 6.—James McElhaney, who murdered his wife last summer at Highlands, is sentenced to be hanged February 21.

New Orleans Market.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 6.—BREADSTUFFS—Flour, low grades scarce; other grades dull; treble, $7.25@8.25; family, $9.00@10.50. Corn firm; yellow, 43c; white, 45c. Oats—Dull and lower at $1.15 @1.20. PROVISIONS—Scarce; prime, $25.00; choice, $30.00. Pork dull; mess, 18½c. Bacon firm at 8¾c, 9¼@9½c. Hams—Sugar cured, 16@17c. LARD—Choice in demand; tierce, 8½@8¾c; keg, 9½c. MOLASSES—Sugar dull and lower; inferior, 50@55c; common, 70@75c; fair to good fair, 85@95c; prime, 94c. Molasses dull; declined 2c; centrifugals, fair to fine, 45c; prime to choice, 50@55c. Coffee dull at 18@18½c. SUGAR—Dull at 9@9¾c. FREIGHTS—Steering, 21¼; eight, ¼@⅝; discount; cotton, 7-16. COTTON—Active; sales 5,500 bales; good ordinary, 16c; low middling, 18½c; middling, 19¾c; middling Orleans, 19¾c; receipts, 7,651 bales; exports to Great Britain, 3,722 bales; Antwerp, 1,766 bales; Havre, 1,566 bales; week's sales, 31,000 bales; stock, net, 42,864 bales; gross, 45,061 bales; exports to Great Britain, 21,566 bales; Continent, 15,970 bales; stock, 3,747 bales.

Whiskey as a Medicine.

Those who are accustomed to the use of "good old Irish whiskey" for certain physical maladies to which they are afflicted, may be interested in the information that Dr. Hodges, of Belfast, has recently had occasion to analyze several samples of "whiskey," and has published the results of his examination in one of the Dublin papers. A bottle of whiskey described as a fair sample of the drink sold in low class public houses was on examination found to be largely adulterated with naphtha, cayenne pepper, and oil of vitriol. Another sample was composed almost entirely of naphtha, slightly colored with genuine whiskey; and a third delectable compound had not even "a coloring" of the genuine spirit, being a pleasing combination of cayenne pepper, oil of vitriol, alcohol, a sulphate of copper, and such other ingredients as could be produced by any amateur chemist at the rate of one penny per gallon. The physical results to the consumers of such a decoction can be imagined.

Ruskin.

John Ruskin has published the following card, in the *Pall Mall Gazette*, and it has led to the inquiry whether he is strictly of sane mind:

SIR: Toward the close of the excellent article on the Taylor trial, in your issue for Oct. 31st, I see you say that people will never be, nor ought to be, persuaded "to treat criminals simply as vermin which destroys, and not as men who ought to be punished." Certainly not, sir! Who ever hinted, or thought, of regarding criminals "simply" as anything (or innocent people, either, if there is any?) But, regarding crime as complexly and accurately, they are partly men, partly vermin: what is human in them you must punish—what is vermin you abolish. Anything between—if you find it—is trial by jury, and hope you may long preserve it to society. Insane persons, horses, dogs, or cats become vermin when they become dangerous. I am sorry for darling Ned, but there is no question about what is to be done with him. Yet, I assure you, sir, insane Ned is a tender point with me. One of my best friends has just gone mad, and all the rest say I am mad myself. But, if ever I murder anybody, and, indeed, there are numbers of people I could like to murder—I won't say that I ought to be hanged; for I think nobody but a Bishop or Bank Director can ever be rogue enough to deserve hanging; but I particularly, and with that is left of me of what I imagine to be mind, request that I may immediately be shot. I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

J. RUSKIN.

on and Randolph streets, has been filled and paved by the joint action of the county authorities on one side, and the property-owners on the other, to the benefit of both. In this completed portion of the street, the City Railway Company have laid their double track. It is worth noting that they have made use of ties three feet apart, giving a much firmer track, and the best piece of work of the kind yet done in this city. There is as yet no movement for paving Clark street, south of Washington, but the Company are bringing their tracks northward from Twelfth, and are now near Harrison. The unlimited confidence of property owners in the future of Clark street has for a decade kept Clark street back from its possibilities. If they now see their own interests they will push on, pave the street, and invite the horse railway men to bring as many passengers through the street as possible. The effect on business property will be speedy.

GENERAL BUILDING NOTES.

The weather for the week has favored outside building operations, and much bricklaying and stone-setting has been done. Still more has been accomplished in carrying on finishing jobs on structures near completion, to shut them up and complete them during the winter for early occupancy next spring. The large building on the corner of Adams and State streets, adjoining Palmer's Hotel, is well begun and the walls rapidly rising.

The Academy of Science building and business block in front, on Wabash avenue near Van Buren street, the old site of Mercy Hospital, is making good progress. The plastering is done and the stores nearly ready for tenants. The Society will occupy their rooms in February.

The Tremont House has reached the third story, and begins to show its fine architectural character. It will be ready in August, and rumor says John B. Drake will throw out the flag over the same old stand. The Pacific, Sherman, Matteson, Briggs, Woodruff, Orient are being strongly pushed, and all will be in full operation before May. The Pacific will open for guests in March.

THE FINISHING STAGE.

It is a striking and notable fact how largely elegant fresco work is entering into the finishing stage of the great rebuilding. The new firm of Seafeld Vorbeck & Co., No. 696 Wabash avenue, are to be credited with many pieces of the most exquisite work ever done in Chicago, among them the superb jewelry stores of Giles, Brother & Co., Roddin & Hamilton, and Geo. McElwain, the new Woodruff's Hotel, and the private residence of F. A. Stevens, No. 693 Wabash avenue, deserve special praise. Messrs. S. V. & Co. have a rare skill in the daintiest effects in all branches of the fresco art.

YESTERDAY'S TRANSFERS.

The following instruments were filed for record on Saturday, Dec. 7.

CITY PROPERTY.

West Kinzie st, bet Baldwin and Hart sts, s f, Lot 25, dated Oct. 22; consideration, $1,000.

Butterfield, north of and near Thirty-ninth st, s f, 60x97 ft, dated Nov. 6; consideration, $1,600.

Lots 37 to 44, in Block 15, of s e ¼ Sec 20, 39, 14, dated Sept. 4; consideration, $18,100.

Lots 4 and 5, in Block 3, of C. H. Harrison's Addition, dated Nov. 29; consideration, $2,000.

W ½ of s ½ Lot 5, of Mackrabin's Lot 5, in n e ¼ of p w ¼ Sec 4, 38, 14, dated Aug. 1; consideration, $2,500.

Lot 1, of Huntsman's Subdivision of s ½ of n w ¼, Sec 6, 39, 14, dated Dec. 6; consideration, $1,000.

Lot 82, in Gregory's Block 62, Sec 19, 39, 14, dated Nov. 25; consideration, $630.

Wabansia av, s e cor of West North Robey st, s f, 25 ft to alley, dated Dec. 2; consideration, $650.

State st, 100 ft of Congress st, w f, 20 ft to alley, dated March 26; consideration, $18,000.

Lot 14, in Block 13, Sec 7, 39, 14, dated June 24; consideration, $740.

Keeton et, bet Paulina st and Ashland av, s f, 24 ft to alley, dated Nov. 9; consideration, $525.

Lot 5, in Block 7 A of Wright's Subdivision, in s w ¼ of Sec 20, 39, 14, dated Dec. 6; consideration, $1,000.

Michigan av, s e cor of Thirty-fourth st, w f, 26¼ 143 7-10 ft, dated Nov. 21; consideration, $4,250.

May st, bet Third and Fourth sts, e f, Lot 7, dated Nov. 11; consideration, $2,000.

Lot 5, in Block 5, of David S. Lee's Addition, dated Oct. 8; consideration, $2,000.

Lot 5, in Block 16, in Elston Addition, with buildings, dated Feb. 28; consideration, $3,600.

Lots 46 and 47, in Brand's s w ¼ Block, of e 33 acres of s ½ s e ¼ Sec 13, 39, 13, with other property, dated Oct. 1; consideration, $14,000.

Michigan av, bet Twelfth and Thirteenth sts, e f, 40x171 ft, dated Dec. 3; consideration, $20,000.

Nineteenth st, bet Paulina st and Ashland av, s f, Lot 86, dated Dec 3; consideration, $800.

Lots 7 to 14 and 68 to 74, in Block 5, Walker's Dock Addition, dated Dec. 3; consideration, $10,000.

Park st, bet Page and Wood sts, n f, Lots 2, 3, and s 20 ft of Lot 4, dated Dec. 5; consideration, $10,000.

Part of Rawson's Block 17, in School Section Addition, dated Nov. 18; consideration, $2,000.

Lot 1, in Mosher's Subdivision in s ½ s w ¼ of s w ¼ Sec 31, 40, 14, dated Nov. 11; consideration, $750.

West Twentieth st, s e cor of Hoyne st, n f, 25x126 ft, dated Dec. 2; consideration, $900.

Lot 25, in Block 3, of Judd & Wilson's Block 6, in Sec 33, 39, 14, dated Nov. 28; consideration, $750.

NORTH OF CITY LIMITS.

Wrightwood av, 197 ft w of Halsted st, s f, 100x134½ ft, dated Oct. 1; consideration, $2,800.

50x134½ ft in same block, dated Nov. 28; consideration, $1,400.

SOUTH OF CITY LIMITS.

Lots 11 and 12, in Block 63, of Hopkins' Addition to Hyde Park, dated June 14; consideration, $3,500.

Blocks 7, 12, 13, 14, 16, 18, and south 181¼ ft of Block 8, of Packer's Subdivision of n e ¼ s w ¼ Sec 5, 36, 14, dated July 1; consideration, $100,000.

30 lots and undivided ¼ of Lots 14 and 29, of Hinckley's n w ¼ of s e ¼ Sec 8, 38, 14, dated Dec. 7; consideration, $12,000.

Peck av, 20x100 ft, in Johnston's s e ¼ of n e ¼ Sec 3, 38, 14, dated Dec. 4; consideration, $1,000.

Lot 8, in Whitcomb & Warner's s ½ s w ¼ of s e ¼ Sec 3, 38, 14, dated Sept. 16, 1869; consideration, $20,000.

WEST OF CITY LIMITS.

Twenty-four lots in Cole's Subdivision and 3 lots in Stave's Subdivision in n e ¼ Sec 36, 40, 13, dated Oct. 4; consideration $9,000.

Lot 4, in Stave's Subdivision, in n e ¼ Sec 36, 40, 13, dated Dec 4; consideration, $3,000.

North ½ of w ½ of n e ¼ s w ¼ Sec 15, 39, 13, (5 acres) dated July 27; consideration, $6,000.

South ½ of same, dated July 27; consideration, $6,000.

SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK.

The following is the total amount of city and suburban property transferred during the week ending Saturday, Dec. 7: City property—Number of sales, 195; consideration, $1,409,067. North of city limits—Number of sales, 7; consideration, $30,800. South of city limits—Number of sales, 7; consideration, $425. West of city limits—Number of sales, 15; consideration, $90,933. Total sales, 231. Total consideration, $2,023,150.

The San Francisco Diamond Frauds.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—J. B. Cooper's statement to the Executive Committee of the Lent and Harpending Diamond Company is to the following effect:

Was bookkeeper for the Diamond Drill Company here; have known Arnold six years. Arnold came from Arizona, and Cooper wanted to learn more from Cooper about the way they were deposited in nature, and the kind of ground; he thought he could produce diamonds by artificial means. Cooper said the diamonds were generally found in the beds of extinct rivers of tropical countries, having a gravelly soil. Arnold said that, in Arizona, he saw an Indian Chief's wife have a bracelet of sparkling stones. He obtained it from her and would go back to look for natural deposits. On his return he told Cooper that he had a big thing in view. Slack and himself were the only persons who knew the secret. He offered Cooper great inducements to come into the scheme. In 1871 he made a trip with Arnold and Slack to New Mexico; collected quite a number of rubies, and returned to this city. It was decided to get large capitalists interested in the plans. Arnold suggested that overtures be made to Harpending, a gentleman of high standing and conversant with money matters. Arnold then wrote Harpending from London, asking co-operation in developing the diamond mines. Arnold and Slack went to New York and enlisted Barlow. When Lent and Harpending reached that city from London, Arnold exhibited the gems. A council of war was held. Lent and Harpending came from San Francisco to form the company. Arnold saw he must make a bold stroke. He took $50,000 and crossed the Canada line. He sailed from Quebec to London. In London he made the acquaintance of two American sailors, to whom he paid $500 each, and bound them under an oath of secrecy to conceal their business. He ordered them to go to different jewellers in London and buy diamonds. He got that way $37,000 worth. He then took the steamer for Quebec, crossed the border, went to St. Louis, and thence to Arizona, where he bought a large lot of rubies, garnets, and sapphires. From there he returned to San Francisco, and counselled with Cooper, Roberts, and Slack. The result was that Lent, Harpending, Arnold, and Dodge went to New York, but the Wall street men were shy, and they did not meet with much success there. They wanted an expert in whom the New York men would place confidence. Janin was suggested. Janin was consulted, and permitted to test some of the diamonds. Janin accepted offers to go to the fields. Slack & Arnold were to go ahead to Denver and pilot them from that place to Salt Lake. They went on and selected a mess near Dorner Mountain. On a few acres they scattered diamonds and other precious stones with reckless profusion. Then the Janin party was piloted into the fields and hunted diamonds. At the close of each day Arnold would tell Janin of the value of the gems found. Upon this Janin made his report, and the party left for San Francisco. Slack and Embery remaining to watch the claim. The above is all thus far elicited from the witness Cooper.

—Mrs. Grant, of Oregon, wife of Mr. Jack Grant, a Representative in the Oregon Legislature shot and trapped 538 squirrels last year.

WASHINGTON.

The Government Will Sustain the U. S. Courts in the Louisiana Troubles.

Summary of the Appropriations for the Current Fiscal Year.

Synopsis of the Report of the Board of Indian Commissioners.

Five-Sixths of the Indians in Process of Civilization.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The following table shows the total appropriations of Congress for the current fiscal year, and the amounts stated are correct, as has just been ascertained officially, by the Clerk of the House. The exact amounts have not heretofore been given:

For Pensions, year ending June 30, 1873	$ 28,480,000
Legislative, Executive, and Judicial expenses for same time	18,671,785
Deficiencies	6,046,399
Navy, for the year ending June 30, 1873	18,226,733
Consular and Diplomatic, for same time	1,319,659
Military Academy for same time	356,101
Indians for same time	6,349,462
Fortifications for same time	3,097,000
Post Office for same time	26,459,240
Army for same time	28,083,615
Rivers and harbors for same time	5,588,000
Sundry civil expenses for same time	20,148,413
Miscellaneous	7,159,642
Total	$173,495,010

[*To The Associated Press.*]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—A large number of visitors paid their respects to the President to-day, among them A. G. Curtin, Senator Wilson, and several other Senators and Representatives.

THE SOLDIERS' HOME.

The Board of Commissioners of the Soldiers' Home have, with the approval of the President and Secretary of War, decided to increase and improve the grounds of that institution by purchasing the Harewood country seat of Mr. Corcoran, near the Home. The terms of purchase are very advantageous to the Home.

INDIAN REPORT.

The following is synopsis of the fourth annual report of the Board of Indian Commissioners:

After three years' working of the peace policy, the Board find cause for congratulation that their anticipations of success in their attempt to civilize nomadic tribes, have been so far fulfilled; that there is now a reasonable assurance that the object in view is being rapidly attained. The operations of the new system called into life confidence in the justice of the whites, the Indians were therefore more disposed to help themselves. Nearly five-sixths of the Indians of the United States are now either civilized or partly civilized. The various fraudulent practices which the agencies were formerly made the fruitful sources from which large fortunes were speedily drawn are now nearly abandoned. Instead of paying for thirty six per cent more than is received, the Government receives the full value for the money appropriated and the Indian gets all he is fairly entitled to.

The various religious denominations have expended large sums in Christianizing the Indians, and the progress has been marked. The Board during the three years of its existence travelled in the performance of their duties more than 256,000 miles.

The Sioux and other tribes on the Northern Pacific Railroad are generally well disposed.

The Indian Territory, with a smaller area than any of the Territories, has a population exceeding any Territory, with the exception of New Mexico and Utah. It has more acres of land under cultivation than any other in the United States. This effectually disposes of the statement that there is an unreasonable amount of land lying idle there, as compared with other portions of the United States. The Board deems it a matter of congratulation that this public opinion of the country is so rapidly crystallizing into purposes of justice and humanity.

JUDGES SLIPPER.

Judge McArthur, of the Criminal Court, has reversed the decision recently given against the keeper of a restaurant for a refusal to entertain colored men; holds that the proprietor of a hotel or restaurant was the proper judge who was to be received into his house.

THE NEW SUPREME COURT.

The proposed establishment of an intermediate Supreme Court of eighteen Judges, is received with disfavor by some of the Supreme Court Judges. One, yesterday, stated that such a plan would utterly destroy the dignity of the Supreme Bench, and reduce it to the character of a town-meeting.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Although Congress is not in session, the House Appropriation Committee met to-day. Mr. Garfield expects to have all the Appropriation bills completed before the holidays.

THE POSTAL LAWS.

A bill having been introduced in the House defining the recent Post Office law, the Postmaster General is preparing to defend his construction of the section imposing a penalty of double the prepaid postage where only partial postage has been paid. The Postmaster General claims that this provision is necessary to prevent irregularities on the part of Postmasters, derangement of the Department accounts, and delay in the distribution of the mails. The opposition comes from persons who habitually underpay, hoping that the correspondents will pay the difference. The Postmaster General also construes the new law to require full postage on all city newspapers circulated through the Post Office. Members are consequently compelled to pay $1.50 for the *Globe* each session, as it is circulated only by mail. Much dissatisfaction with the law and its construction exists.

INTERNAL REVENUE.

It is expected that the proposition of the Ways and Means Committee to abolish all internal revenue taxes except that upon liquor and tobacco will facilitate the passage of Douglass' Internal Revenue bill in the Senate. There will be less excuse for the retention of the offices of Assessors and Assistant Assessors with so large a reduction in the number of articles taxed.

WANTS HIS DISABILITIES REMOVED.

Lucius Quintius Curtius Lamar, of Mississippi, Congressman-elect to the Forty-third Congress, is here seeking the removal of his disabilities. He was a member of the Thirty-sixth Congress, and is one of two hundred who have not been amnestied. The peculiarity of this case is that he is the only person under disability in the First Mississippi District, whence he is elected, and was nominated as a test case. He represents that the financial condition of Mississippi is very bad.

THE LOUISIANA DIFFICULTY.

Telegrams were received here to-day by Louisiana members of Congress and officials of the Government, giving statements from both sides. Private advices contain substantially the same information already conveyed, though each side denounces the other as having assumed possession of the State in violation of all right. They request that the points in their respective statements be laid before the President for the action of the Federal Government. It is stated upon official authority that the intention of the Government is to sustain the United States Court in its decrees. This has already been communicated by telegraph to gentleman in New Orleans, who have requested official advice in the premises.

THE ALABAMA COMMITTEE.

representing the Capitol Legislature, stated their case to the Attorney General this afternoon. The result of the conference is not different from that which concluded the interview held with Judge Williams by the Court House Legislative Committee, namely, that the Government will not interfere unless some question arises under the Constitution calling for Federal interference.

The Louisville Lottery.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 7.—No. 6,450 drew the capital prize, $75,000. The Managers, Trustees, and many ticket-holders, met in Weissenger Hall at 5 o'clock this morning. Owing to the early hour, not over 100 persons were present in the audience. Placing the tickets in the wheel occupied some time, and at 8:45 President Durrett announced everything ready, and the blind children were introduced amid the breathless silence of the audience, which, by this time, nearly filled the spacious hall and galleries. The orchestra played the "Library March," and, all being ready, one blind boy drew from the wheel No. 36,503. Another blind boy drew from the opposite wheel a case, which a gentleman, chosen from the audience, opened, and held up the paper which it contained, on which was printed in large figures visible in all parts of the hall, $75. The first $1 numbers drew prizes ranging from $75 to $750. The 22d number drawn was $ 450, and the sensation in the audience was immense on the display of the prize from the opposite wheel. It was the capital prize of $75,000.

No. 33,411 drew $1,500; No. 52,457 drew $2,250; No. 50,568 drew $6,750; No. 45,311 drew $5,250; No. 26,930 drew $3,750; No. 74,146 drew $1,500; No. 67,253 drew $1,500.

The following numbers drew the principal prizes: No. 49,929 drew $11,250; No. 26,688 $18,750; No. 70,646 drew $15,000; No. 66,821 drew $4,500; No. 19,483 drew $6,000; No. 59,979 drew $6,000; No. 59,111 drew $3,750; No. 73,043 drew $7,500; No. 33,489 drew $1,500.

The drawing closed at 6 o'clock. President Durrett announcing the next drawing to come off on April 8th next, and the scheme to comprise 30,000 gifts. A number of the most prominent citizens of Louisville took part in the drawing, and were on the stage during the day. There were also several prominent men from other States.

FOREIGN.

FRANCE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—A Paris special says that the Government will adopt one of three courses with reference to the report of the Crmmittee of Thirty: First, the resignation of the Cabinet and the formation of another from the Right Centre and Left, thus detaching votes from the right, and organising a new majority favorable to the Government.

Second, the formal declaration of the impossibility of continuing the Government under existing circumstances, and appeal for a dissolution of the Assembly.

Third, the complete retirement of the Government acceptance of a Cabinet exclusively from the Right. This latter course is most unlikely, but is more probable than the resignation of Thiers.

PARIS, Dec. 7.—The Vice President of the Committee of Thirty, last night, had a long and friendly conversation with Thiers. The Governmental situation is believed to be improving. It is rumored that Goulard will be appointed Minister of Interior; Leon Lay, Minister of Finance; Fourtou, Minister of Public Works.

At a meeting of Union Republicans, yesterday, at Credin, presided over by Louis Blanc, speeches were made in favor of a dissolution of the National Assembly.

PARIS, Dec. 7.—It is reported this evening that Thiers and the Committee of Thirty will act in unison in elaborating the constitutional proposals to be submitted to the Assembly.

The appointments of Goulard to be Minister of the Interior, Leon Lay, Minister of Finance, and Courtion, Minister of Public Works, are certain. It is also announced that Calmont will be appointed Prefect of the Department of the Seine, which is regarded as a concession to the party of the Right.

GERMANY.

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—The Counties Reform bill passed to a third reading in the Diet. A number of proposed amendments were withdrawn, and the bill passed in the shape in which it came from the lower house. It will pass to a final vote on Monday.

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—General Von Roon has left the Ministry of War for an indefinite time, although he has not formally resigned.

GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—The Town Council of Glasgow has voted the freedom of the city to Disraeli, who is now there.

A meeting of Americans will be held to-night to pay tribute to the memory of the late Horace Greeley.

SWITZERLAND.

BERNE, Dec. 7.—Carsaole has been elected President and Dr. Schenck Vice President of the Swiss Confederation for 1873.

WALL STREET.

Review of the Money, Gold, Bond, Stock, and Produce Markets.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—During the past week the money market has had a stiff and marked change. During the early days, money was accessible on call at the legal rate, but later it become dearer, and for some time ranged from gold interest to 1-32 *per diem*, and finally the extreme stringency set in, and call loans were made at ⅛ to ⅜ *per diem*, or 91¼ to 136⅞ per cent per annum. These are the highest rates of interest current since the stringency early in October, when the Government sold $5,000,000 of gold and bought $5,000,000 of bonds. The month of December has for many years past brought financial disturbances, especially during the closing days. Only a small portion of the money sent West to move the grain crops has yet returned, while the pork packers and cotton factors are still drawing currency from this point. Speculation in the Gold Room has been chiefly for an advance in the premium, and this price has risen from 112¾ to 113⅝.

The stock market has been irregular during the week, but has generally advanced, and closes strong and steady.

The bank statement is unfavorable, and shows that the banks have made a net loss of $1,281,675 in legal reserve. The banks now hold $1,463,475 above the 25 per cent required by law. The increase in loans represents the increased demand for money during the week, and the decrease in legal-tenders is the result of the Treasury calling in money.

MONEY.

The money market to-day was active early in the day at ⅜ *per diem*. Most of the brokers supplied themselves in the morning at that rate, but in the afternoon the demand was less active, and the rates declined to 7 per cent gold. The discount market is very dull in consequence of the stringency for call loans. Rates somewhat nominal.

GOLD AND EXCHANGE.

Foreign exchange was very dull, the dearness of cash gold having effectually checked all business. Gold was weak in the morning, and declined to 112⅝, but became strong and advanced to 113⅝.

BONDS.

Government bonds closed dull and steady.

PRODUCE.

Flour closed dull, and rather weaker for low and medium. Holders of wheat at the opening were firm, owing to the limited stock, but the unsatisfactory advices from Liverpool checked the export inquiry, and the market closes flat for spring, but firm for winter. Pork was more active, and sales were made of 500 brls regular at $13.00 for old mess, and at $13.50 for new. Jobbing lots sold at $14.50 @15.00 per new. Cut meats are in some demand, and no decided change. Bacon weak, with a fair business,—long clear on the spot 7@ 7⅛. Sales, 25 boxes city long clear on spot at 7⅛; 100 boxes long clear and 50 boxes short clear for January, quoted at 7¾. Lard easier.

BOSTON.

Statement by the Relief and Aid Committees—More Money Wanted.

BOSTON, Dec. 7.—The Executive and Finance Relief Committees in aid of the sufferers state that the Central Relief Committee has charge of persons burnt out, comprising between 800 and 1,000 families. The Committee for the assistance of men thrown out of employment have received and investigated 1,500 applications, and the Committee for the relief of women thrown out of employment have received and investigated 4,900 applications. These Committees have severally given aid to all applicants who deserved and needed it. They must continue to do so for some weeks. The Committee on Aid will require an additional sum for the proper completion of their work. A careful estimate of future needs leads to the conviction that not less than $150,000 will be required to give the relief which ought still be given. Independently of the Special Fund for the Firemen, the sum at the disposal of the General Committee is about $50,000, which will be exhausted in ten or twelve days. We therefore feel it our duty to make known the importance of the necessity of raising $100,000 in addition to the amount already subscribed. We contemplate with a reluctance, which will be generally shared, the only alternative we have, that of making an appeal to other cities for aid, because we believe the people of Boston are perfectly able to meet this demand without difficulty, and that they desire and ought to meet it themselves.

Pacific Slope Items.

SAN FRANCISCO Dec. 7.—The war with the Modoc Indians in Oregon still continues. George Flock and Charles Monroe were killed. The Lost river troop of Warner and Bidwell are marching to the scene of hostilities. A terrible sand storm occurred at San Diego last night, the air was black with dust and sand. During the worst of the storm telegraphic communication was retarded.

POLITICAL.

Further Details of the Controversy in Louisiana.

The Two Legislatures Will Probably Assemble.

The President Appealed to by the Conservatives.

Minor Political Items.

THE LOUISIANA IMBROGLIO.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 7.—The Custom House Returning Board this morning promulgated the election returns for members of the Legislature, which differ materially from those promulgated on Thursday by the Governor's Returning Board. No election returns have yet been delivered by the State authorities to the Custom House Board.

The *Republican* says:

We publish this morning the official report of the election for members of the Legislature. This report has been unavoidably delayed by errors that have existed in the public over since the election. It is fortunately in time for all practical purposes. It will be observed that there is a decided Republican majority in both branches of the General Assembly.

Federal troops still hold possession of the State House. The two Legislatures will probably assemble—one recognized by the Governor, and the other by the Custom House.

Judge Durrell to-day issued a sweeping restraining order on the application of C. C. Antoni against Governor Warmoth and all other State officers, clerks of the House and Senate, Chief of Police, and others, preventing any interference whatever with the assembling of the Legislature, and forbidding all persons from participating in members of the said Legislature who have not been returned as members thereof by the Custom House Returning Board, and whose names are not transmitted by George Boese, Secretary of State, to the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House.

The following was telegraphed to the President to-day, by the Legislative Committee:

To His Excellency, the President of the United States:

The undersigned Committee, appointed by the members of the General Assembly constituting the Constitutional quorum of both Houses, respectfully represent that they have assembled at the Capital this day, preparatory to convening in extra session, on Monday, the 9th of December, in pursuance of the proclamation of the Governor; that they have been duly chosen to represent the people, and returned members of the Legislature by the Board of Supervisors appointed, and the public proclamation made thereof according to law. Your memorialists further represent that, on their arrival, they find the building used as a Capitol in the possession of the United States military forces, and the approaches thereto are occupied by guards of United States soldiery, subject to the orders of the Marshal and Deputies, and all access thereto denied to citizens and officers of this State save by permission of said authorities; and your memorialists report that said occupation is by order of the Circuit Court, purporting to issue on account of an alleged violation of the restraining orders of said Court by the Governor of this State, and ordered that the United States Marshal, meanwhile, shall prevent all unlawful assemblage therein, under the guise or pretext of authority claimed by virtue of the recent decision of the Supreme Court, making the Marshal judge of the qualifications of members of the Legislature of the State. Your memorialists submit that the said action is unwarranted in law, and entirely subversive of the civil Government of the State, in the subversion of the Executive and Legislative departments of the State of Louisiana presents a political question, to wit: the recognition of the status of local government, a question peculiarly within the competence of the Federal Government, and the right of the people destroy or exercise peacefully and quietly the functions of their respective bodies, they solemnly and earnestly appeal to you as the Chief Magistrate of the nation to remove from the State House the National forces so as to permit the free and untrammelled performances of their duties, as the Legislature of the State of Louisiana.

(Signed) F. G. Zachary, A. G. Herron, B. F. Jonas, Louis Peyzas, E. G. Monsure, J. B. Elam, J. B. McDonald, Committee.

This evening prominent capitalists and property holders held a largely-attended meeting, at which it was resolved that a delegation of the representative men of the city be at once despatched to Washington to represent the exact status of the community to the Government. The Committee was authorised to pledge the fealty and support of the people to the President in any measure tending towards centralization it may be the policy of the Government to adopt, merely asking to be relieved of the self-constituted agents who, in the name of General Grant and loyalty, now plunder and oppress us.

The United States Circuit Court, to-day, issued a writ of *certiorari* in the cases of injunctions granted yesterday by the Eighth District Court against the Custom House Returning Board.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The following was received this afternoon:

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 7.

To the Attorney General, Washington:

The Returning Board, guided by the law of 1870, under which the election was held, which the United States Court sustains, promulgate from the official journal this morning the result of the election for the Legislature. The House stands 77 Republicans to 26 Democrats. The Senate has 27 Republicans to 12 Democrats. The Board counted the ballots attached to the affidavits of colored persons wrongfully prevented from enrolling and voting, filed with the Chief Supervisor.

(Signed) [illegible]

United States Marshal.

THE KANSAS SENATORSHIP.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—A letter from a respectable business man of Lawrence, Kan., received here to-day, has some statements regarding the re-election of Senator Pomeroy. The writer, who is thoroughly posted in political affairs, says Mr. Pomeroy claims that the issue in this State was Pomeroy and anti-Pomeroy at the late election. This is true, and the anti's have the Legislature by a large majority. Pomeroy's own friends now concede he is beaten, as a careful count, from 25 to 30 votes out of 128 are all he can muster. His chief henchman, Major Crowell, whose duties as Mail Agent are to travel the State in Pomeroy's interest, only counts 44, and among them are pronounced anti-Pomeroy men, who had given pledges on that question, and renewed them since election.

BOSTON POLITICS.

BOSTON, Dec. 7.—The Republicans are unable to get any one to run as a candidate for Mayor. The last nominee, E. S. Tobey, has declined. In the meantime a citizens' movement has been started by nominating H. S. Pierce, who declined the straight Republican nomination, with a ticket of Aldermen including four Democrats.

BOSTON, Dec. 7, Evening.—Henry L. Pierce has been again nominated for Mayor, this time by the officers of the Republican City Convention.

BOSTON, Dec. 7.—Mr. Pierce has accepted the nomination for Mayor on the Republican Citizens' ticket. Mayor Gaston will be supported by the Democrats.

NEW YORK.

Thanks—The Greeley Monument—Bankruptcy of a Coal Company—The Darien Expedition—Swindling—Serious Shooting Affray in a House of Bad Repute—City Finances.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—Sinclair Tousey, of the *Tribune*, has addressed a letter of thanks to President Grant for the great respect shown by him to Mr. Greeley.

Assemblyman Niles proposes in view of the wishes of the children of Mr. Greeley, the raising of a fund for the erection of a statue to him in Central Park.

The bankruptcy of the Glenwood Coal Company, in the Lackawanna region, was reported yesterday, with liabilities of $400,000. Jay Gould is said to hold a large amount of stock in it, and the Erie Railway Company holds about $350,000 worth of the bonds.

The United States ship Portsmouth started yesterday on her Darien and Pacific expedition.

Charles H. Bertram and Edward Cook, lawyers, have been arrested in Hoboken for alleged blackmailing in a real estate operation.

It is understood that D. G. Robinson, Jr., formerly Assistant United States Attorney, is to be appointed Assistant by newly elected District Attorney Phelps.

Segrave is to be brought up on a *habeas corpus* on Monday.

President Graham, of the Walkhill Bank, gave bail to-day and was released.

Matthew Bussey dangerously shot James Burns during a scuffle, yesterday, in a house of bad repute. Burns was committed.

A rumor prevailed on the street, to-day, that several leading bankers and merchants propose to call a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce to take some action in regard to the merchants and bankers engaged with notorious stock gamblers in locking up money for the purpose of depressing and deranging business generally.

An order was granted against the Comptroller, to-day, to show cause why he should not be punished for refusing to pay the salary of a clerk in the Finance Department.

The Board of Assistant Aldermen waited on the Comptroller, to-day, concerning their salary for last month, which has not been paid. Mr. Green said he had no time to attend to the matter, but, nevertheless, the decision on the constitutionality of the tax levy is to be given, and he is waiting for that decision, as it involves the payment of salaries. A committee subsequently waited on the law officers of the Government on the subject.

It is stated that it will require another appropriation of $1,750,000 to put the Mansard roof on the new Post Office in this city. The claims of the laborers for back pay, under the Eight-Hour law, on this building, amount to $750,000, which is included in the above amount, and they threaten to strike if their claims are not allowed.

It is reported that Mayor Hall assumes the editorial chair of the *Herald* Jan. 1, and Bennett shortly leaves on a two-year European trip.

A meeting of graduates of Harvard University was held to-night, at which Committees were appointed to appeal to the graduates in this city and State for the purpose of raising $100,000 to assist in reimbursing that University for its losses by the Boston fire. The Revs. D. B. Bellows, Frothingham and Osgood, and William G. Choate made addresses.

SAN DOMINGO.

A Party of New York, Boston, and Other Capitalists Conclude to Purchase Samana Bay—The Money Sent to Close the Bargain.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—According to the *World*, the San Domingo question is about to be presented to the public interest in a new form. It says, since the adverse action of Congress, a scheme has been quietly pushed among prominent business men of the large Eastern cities, who have sent per last steamer money to buy Samana Bay and a tract of adjacent territory. A reporter sought Mr. C. K. Garrison, one of the merchants interrested. The following colloquy occurred:

Reporter—Is it really true that the Tybee has gone out with an important lading, connected with the new enterprise of the Mercantile Association, and th at it is proposed to follow up the San Domingo project?

Garrison—Yes; a number of us merchants and others have concluded that we will accept the bargain that the Government has refused. This is apart from all political considerations, and is a mere matter of business.

Reporter—What special rights and privileges, and, I suppose, will be a sort of Western India Company?

Garrison—Well, we are paying out a great deal of money, and of course we are not giving it for nothing, but expect ample returns.

Reporter—Will not this first outlay need to be followed up with other large expenditures for warehouses, etc?

Garrison—We don't know much about what will come after. We shall move cautiously and be governed by circumstances.

Reporter—Are only New York capitalists interested in the enterprise?

Garrison—Capitalists are capitalists of Boston, Philadelphia, and other towns in the movement.

Reporter—I suppose that many of you have long had mercantile dealings with those regions?

Garrison—Yes! I, for one, have been running steamers to those islands, and as far down as Brazil. I have no connection with the Administration, and it is a matter of business with us all.

Reporter—What is the condition of the island? Is there much industrial activity there?

Garrison—There is a large export trade of coffee and other tropical products, but the point of the greatest importance will be the possession by Americans of such a fine port in the West Indies.

AGRICULTURAL.

Missouri State Board—Massachusetts Farmers' Institute.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 7.—The State Board of Agriculture, which has been in session here for three days past, adjourned after doing considerable business, and making recommendations of interest to the agriculturists of the State. Among other things, they urged upon the Missouri Congressmen the importance of procuring an appropriation for deepening the channel of the Mississippi river, so as to afford a better outlet and cheaper transportation for the products of the West to the Gulf of Mexico; also approved the recommendation of the Commissioner of Agriculture regarding the disposal of public lands in future only on condition that a certain part of them should be reserved for or planted in forest trees.

WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 7.—The Farmers' Institute, under the auspices of the State Board of Agriculture, has been in session at Barre during the past week. Among the prominent gentlemen who took part in the proceedings were Hon. Harris Lewis, of New York; Professor Louis Agassiz, of Boston; and W. S. Clark, President of the Massachusetts Agricultural College. The meeting was largely attended and very successful.

SOCIAL SCIENCE.

Adjourned Annual Meeting of the Association—Election of Vice Presidents, Etc.

BOSTON, Dec. 7.—At an adjourned annual meeting of the American Social Science Association to-day, the Constitution was amended to provide for the election of Vice Presidents; to conduct the local work of the Association and facilitate the establishment of branches.

The following Vice Presidents were elected: Josiah Quincy, Wilcott Gibbs, Boston; E. L. Godkin, C. L. Agnew, New York; C. J. Stills, H. C. Lea, Philadelphia; Theodore D. Woolsey, New Haven; Dr. Hoyt, Madison, Wis.; W. T. Harris, St. Louis; Professor George Davidson, San Francisco.

George W. Curtis, New York, was elected President for the ensuing year.

The number of Directors was increased to twenty or more. An able Board was elected, including Samuel Eliot, L. Agassiz, ex-Governor Washburn, William Gray, President C. W. Eliot, James M. Barnard, F. B. Sanborn, T. C. Amory, and others.

Important Decision.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

PRINCETON, Ill., Dec. 7.—In the case of Edwards *vs.* the Board of Supervisors of Lee County, Ill., Judge Lealand, yesterday, sustained a demurrer to the declaration, thereby deciding that the county is not liable for the negligence of its agents. The plaintiff is a blind man, and claims that while he was in the Poor House, in Lee County, as a pauper, he lost his sight through the unskilfulness and negligence of the County Physician, who there treated him for inflammation of the eyes. His suit was for $10,000 damages; but, under the ruling of the Circuit Court, he can recover nothing from the county. This decision is regarded, by the legal profession here, as sound law. The case is an important one to the public, and has excited much interest in this community and in Lee County. It was originally commenced in Lee County, but was brought to this circuit by change of venue, on the part of the plaintiff.

War Department Weather Prognostications.

WAR DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER, DIVISION OF TELEGRAMS AND REPORTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF COMMERCE, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 7.—Probabilities—For the northwest, thence to the upper lakes and southward to the Ohio Valley, southeasterly winds, threatening weather, followed by lower temperatures, rain and snow. In the South Atlantic and Gulf States clearing and clear cooler weather, with southwesterly to northwesterly wind. On the lower lakes, and thence extending by to-morrow to the Middle and Eastern States, threatening weather, higher temperatures, falling barometers, snow, and occasional rain. In the St. Lawrence Valley, falling barometers, southerly winds, and cloudy weather.

Warning signals continue at Duluth, Chicago, Grand Haven, Milwaukee, and are ordered for Detroit, Toledo, Cleveland, and Buffalo.

Heavy Failure.

BOSTON, Dec. 7.—One of the heaviest failures caused by the great fire was the firm of Hemfield Wentworth & Co., dry goods commission merchants, Franklin street. Their assets are placed at $1,583,170; liabilities, $2,324,850. The firm propose a settlement at sixty cents on the dollar, to be paid within a year, without interest.

WAS HE MURDERED?

A Man Enticed to a House in the West Division and Badly Beaten.

He Disappears, and the Police Cannot Find Him or His Assailant.

The police of the Sixth Precinct are said to have been busy yesterday, investigating a case which is a very peculiar one. They were very reticent about it, every one denying any knowledge of anything unusual. A TRIBUNE reporter however, was able to learn a few facts and circumstances from citizens. It appears that on Friday night, a respectably dressed man, who was slightly intoxicated, made the acquaintance of one Thomas Ward, while in the Pacific Varieties

...ry to four years in the Penitentiary. ...s. Brochell, an employe at Kin... Mosher's brass foundry, Peoria, Ill., ...denly at noon yesterday from hemor... of the lungs.

...ssenger Grey Eagle, which was snagged ...vansville, Ind., was raised on Friday ...and is now en route for Louisville. She ...so seriously damaged as reported.

...nuis Wilson, an old citizen, was in... killed at Murrayville, Ill., on Friday, by ...rock falling upon him while he was at ...the bottom of a well.

...of Hon. D. G. Cheever, Assemblyman ...Rock Co., Wis., fell ...ow rails at Clinton Junction, Wis., on Fri... ...t, and lost an arm.

...Coroner's inquest in the case of the rail... ...cident on the Binghamton Road, on ...Giving Day, strongly condemns the ...ment of the road for the bad condition ...acks.

...meeting of the Arcadian and Russian ...s in the course of the United States Sa... ...missioners against the $40 bounty or... ...to boarding masters was in favor... ...wages have advanced to $30, and the ...refuse to pay that amount.

...el M. S. Barnes, the former publisher of ...ers Herald, and more recently connected ...the Chicago News, has disposed of his ...interest or it was sworn to J. W. Bailey, ...ston Republic is, and has removed with ...to Galesburg, having purchased the ...ity Free Press. The management of which ...immediately.

CINCINNATI.

Packing—The Recent Bank Fail...ures.

...NNATI, O., Dec. 7.—The whole number of ...slaughtered in Cincinnati the past week ...ge. Whole number since 1st November, ...

...Keys & Co., private bankers of this city, ...pended a few days ago, mafe a state... ...their creditors to-day. These are prin... ...in Cincinnati and New York. The lia... ...Keys & Co. are $220,000, while the ...assets are $315,000, and the rest of assets ...). They propose to settle with their ...s at 50 per cent, payable in six, twelve, ...teen months. The probability is the ...s will accept.

Obituary.

...York, Dec. 7.—Samuel N. Pike, a well... ...merchant, formerly of Cincinnati, died ...y at his office in this city, this afternoon, ...xty. He had been at his office during ...part of 1870. He was taken with the fatal ...He died at 6:30 p. m.

...s Rocks, Ark., Dec. 7.—A private des... ...from St. Louis announces the death to... ...y, this a. m., of the Hon. George ...iking, of this city, who was ...house from Colorado. Mr. King for many ...ief Justice of the State, Attorney Gen... ...d a lawyer of well-known and distin... ...ability. He had been a resident of Ar... ...since 1821, and was a contemporary of ...Zell, Pike, Curran, Fowler, and other ...inished members of the bar of this State.

The Horse Disease.

...ton, Dec. 7.—The epizootic is slightly ...increase, and there are but few animals ...males, and oxen now seen on the streets. ...street railroads have withdrawn their ...ps the Fifth street and Franklin avenue ...t cars are only running a limited num... ...cars. The freight tonnage, however, is ...

...companies of seventy-five men ...h fire-engine house, and meetings ...ld to-morrow to organize a volunteer ...each fire district, to act in conjunction ...paid men. It is now thought by those ...miliar with the horse malady, including ...ry surgeons, that it will entirely disap... ...the course of a week or ten days.

Ocean Steamship News.

...AX, N. C., Dec. 7.—The Steamship Queen, ...iverpool for New York, put in here to... ...th sickness on board. She is anchored ...Quarantine.

...nstown, Dec. 7.—The Steamship Cuba ...ved.

Death on the Hall.

...SBERGH, N. Y., Dec. 7.—John O'Don... ...Scranton, Pennsylvania, was run over by ...d train at Tarrytown, to-day, and cut in

...RKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

New York Financial News.

...ORK, Dec. 7.—Gold sold at 113¼, 113⅜, 113⅝, ...ld at 113⅜@113¾. Loans were at 6 per ...ay per cent for use. Daily clearings, $81,000,...

...shipments for the week, $696,000. ...oney market was active and closer early in the ...ay, with at times considerable excitement. ...n the afternoon the rates of the ...clined from ½ per diem to 7 per cent gold ...The bank statement is unfavorable, the ...ease of $1,281,675 in legal tenders. The ...ow hold only $15,462,475 above the 25 per cent ...

...ements were steady, but on the second ...ll off about ¼ per cent, and closed quiet. ...Assistant Treasurer paid out to-day $69,000 in ...d $61,000 in redemption of 5-20 bonds. ...ams from Washington, the state of the ...ts, and the probability of the Treasury buy... ...outwell will proceed to negotiate the remainder ...per cents in a short time on the same basis as ...

...Chatham Bank has given notice to the Associ... ...that it will no longer redeem the checks of ...ral Bank through the Clearing House after ...ork market opened steadily. The feeling in ...ncies in Pacific Mail from 51¼ to 51¾, ...d a slight influence on the remainder of the ...e decline was soon recovered. Pacific Mail ...ed firmly, but buyers holding off for ...Small quiet. Corn firmer; receipts, 6,000 ...ner Western mixed, 63¾@64¢; and do 64¾@...e; receipts, 22,000 bu. ...Higher; 86@43c for crop of 1872. ...Quiet, and firm at 5@5½c; Cotton, ...

...Rice active; Western fleece, 47½c. ...ffee—Coffee quiet; Rio, 18@19½c; Laguayra ...ir to good refining, 9¾@9¾c; Java, 20@20½c. ...y quiet; New Orleans, 9@9¾c. Rice quiet at ...

...Molasses—Grade, 13c; refined, 27c. ...Petroleum—Dull, and unchanged. ...Provisions—Pork dull and lower; old and new, ...$13.50; January, $13.60. Beef unchanged. Cut ...meats; shoulders for January, 6c; middles ...nominal; clear, 7½@7¾c. Lard weak; No. 1 to ...prime, 8¼@8½c; kettle, 8¾@9c. ...Butter and Cheese—Unchanged.

...Whisky—Quiet at 90½c; held at 90c.

CITY REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE—BY J. H. KERNER, 125 CLARK-AV., ...

FOR SALE—BY GEO. P. GRIFFIN, 125 EAST MADI...

FOR SALE—BY RATHBONE & CHIPMAN, 125 ...

FOR SALE—BY BATCHELDER & DAVISON & WELCH, ...

FOR SALE—BY HENRY DAVISON & WELCH, ...

FOR SALE—BY MARSHALL & DICKINSON, Oak ...

FOR SALE—BY MALLORY & COLBY, 186 South Clark-st., Room 5 ...

FOR SALE—BY MARSHALL & DICKINSON, Oak ...

FOR SALE—BY GEO. P. GRIFFIN, 125 EAST MADI...

FOR SALE—BY BATCHELDER & CHIPMAN, 125 ...

FOR SALE—BY HENRY DAVISON & WELCH, ...

FOR SALE—BY GEORGE DE LOYNES & SON, ...

FOR SALE—BY GEORGE DE LOYNES & SON,

PERIODICAL LITERATURE.

Old and New, Van Nostrand's, the Overland, and the Contemporary.

Responsibilities of the Administration and of Congress--Taxation of Churches.

Science and Religion--Measuring the Rapidity of Thought--Two Skilful Physicians.

The Source of the Solar Heat---Pomo Indians---Constitutional Germany---Miracles and Fact---Free Trade in Land.

OLD AND NEW.

Among other questions suggested to *Old and New* by the result of the Presidential election is, "How are we to hold the Administration responsible for its own follies and sins, and not for those of Congress;", and, "How are we to make Congress responsible for its own?" In America, unlike England, the chiefs of the Government are not the Cabinet Ministers, but are the leaders of the two Houses. These men have attained a power the Constitution never contemplated. It is urged with great force by some that, in obedience to the English analogy, we should permit the Heads of Departments to occupy seats on the floor of the House of Representatives, in order to explain and defend their administration.

This plan would have the great advantage that we should be able to know, as we hardly do now, what the policy of the Executive is; and that we should be able to hold the Executive, more precisely than we now do, to responsibility for its policy. On the other hand, a statesman so sagacious as Mr. Caleb Cushing, is said to have said, recently, that it is a great marvel that the English Government goes forward at all, under the necessity of constant explanation, or refusal to explain, while Parliament is in session. It may be said, perhaps, that the English bear this confusion in their Administration better than any other nation, because, as their countryman, Mr. Ward, has wisely said, they "are governed by rhetoric more than by logic." They have come so far that they regard first-rate speaking more even than first-rate executive ability in the choice of a Prime Minister. It might almost be said that you cannot have a Prime Minister unless he speaks well. You would have been a hard test to try General Grant by, if his own account of his own powers in this line is the true one.

Old and New contents itself with suggesting the question, and passes on to livelier topics. A publican—J. P. Quincy—preaches a sermon under the title,

THE TAXATION OF CHURCHES.

He gives us his skeleton, thus:

Property invested in churches should be treated like all other property. It should help the people meet their necessary expenditures. Its exemption from taxation is legal; but is it just? Not consistent with a democratic theory of government. Evils of any alliances between Church and State; press this home. Two questions: If equality of civil rights is guaranteed to all, why should some hundred millions of property, invested in ecclesiastical edifices, contribute nothing to support the burdens of the State? Is there any essential difference between making a direct donation to the public money to support sectarian views of religion, and relieving churches of investments of their proportion of taxation? To break this shackle between Church and State is a Christian work. Then shall the former represent the ideal justice between man and man; whither the latter must be heading, unless our theory of government is a delusion.

He says:

Remember that the right to own land, either as individual or corporation, is no natural right. It is permitted by the State solely from consideration of expediency; but, in granting this permission, the Legislator would create the most odious and dangerous aristocracy were it not for two powerful guaranties that render it, on the whole, beneficent; these are taxes and competition. Taxes goad land-holders on one side; competition persecutes them on the other. The result is, that the industrial forces of the community take possession of the land at the precise moment when its productive powers can be increased by a change of hands. What, then, does the legislator do when he perverts the natural capabilities of land to be dwarfed by factitious distinctions among its holders? He assumes a tremendous responsibility. He violates as social law just as certainly as the man who takes another's life violates a moral law. Both may be justified; but the probabilities are against them; and they are bound to show the most obvious and passing necessity for their actions.

It is said that our Commercial Metropolis is already governed by a ring of Irish Catholics, which owes foreign allegiance, and threatens the most vital of American institutions. It is alleged that this ecclesiastical organization, taking advantage of our unjust Exemption laws, has acquired enormous wealth, and stands ready to buy legislation at the highest quotations of that commodity. Our Catholic friends may say that this is an idle scandal, utterly untrue at the present time, and of their particular Church in Chicago; but will cheerfully admit. Don't think this? Then human nature undergoes a radical change, it is certain to become true at some time. For, by exempting from taxation valuable lands at the centres of our cities, and permitting ecclesiastical authorities to hold unlimited acres in suburbs (soon to be city-centres), provided these are held as "grounds" for alleged charitable institutions, our legislators have have delivered the people to the first ecclesiastical body reconciled by a central power of good business-capacity—that may choose to take the reins. Whether that body may happen to call itself Calvinist or Catholic, Unitarian or Positivist, or by some name yet present unformed, it will not matter to the essay. But I can tell you this: our posterity will find no sweet savor in the memory of these politicians who, by permitting unjust laws to stain our democratic statute-books, gave their property to spoliation, and imperilled their dearest liberties.

QUESTIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE.

By the Rev. George Axford, is a dissertation in the form of a correspondence, relieved by a little dialogue, and a startling catastrophe, concerning the scientific thought of the day as it affects the average trust of men and women in the goodness of God, a future life, and human happiness. These topics are inexhaustible; every human being is, to some extent, a searcher and an expounder of such truth in them as he finds for himself. The spirit of the article is apparent in this paragraph.

If Science, or Philosophy (call it what you will), says it is now for the first time going to give an answer to human questions about life, spirit, death, then Science is a shallow-pated fool; but, if Science aspires to understand, interpret, and republish the indestructible hopes of humanity, then Science is a ministering angel.

For my part, I hope it will be proved the tersest atom of matter, and shred of protoplasm, and breath of animated being, belong with spirit; are of one kind, are essential to each other; that mind and matter, body and soul, Creator and all creation, are all one. Then there will not be room for one hideous doubt that evil may survive. Give us that unity, and the growing intelligence which appears in man, and which must appear in other worlds, will eject evil from the universe. Given such a unity, and it is impossible for me to doubt that it subsists by virtue of an informing Mind, a universal Spirit, than which I know no nobler thought nor sweeter consolation.

I am even eager to have the assertions of materialism established as the basis of the widest generalization of spiritual facts that has ever been possible.

E. E. Hale gives an inimitable little sketch of one "dear little Janet," which ends, as all stories ought to, in the happy marriage of him and her.

MEASURING THE RAPIDITY OF THOUGHT.

When people say, "Quick as thought," they mean too quick to be measured; but, among the other miracles which modern science has accomplished, W. H. Dael tells us, is the feat of measuring the rapidity of mental operations. This has been accomplished through the labors of such eminent European physiologists as Du Bois-Reymond, Valentin, Donders, Hirsch, Helmholtz, and especially Mayer. These men have actually invented a machine, called the myograph, to measure and record the motion of nervous action. By this contrivance

Helmholtz found that, to traverse a nerve 1.8 inches long, the nervous impulse requires 200,375 of a second, which corresponds to a rapidity of about 164 yards per second. This rapidity is subject to some variation from the circumstances of the particular case.

This remarkable result pave the way to the study of the psychical action. "Has thought the infinite speed which is usually attributed to it?" asks Donders: "or will it be possible to measure the time necessary for the formation of an idea, or for a determination of the will?"

The first researches on this interesting subject are due to astronomers.

About the year 1795, Maskelyne discovered the curious fact that there was a constant and equal discrepancy between his observations of the passage of stars across the thread of a meridian telescope, and those of his assistant, Kinnebrook. This attracted the attention of other astronomers; and Bessel, comparing the observations of others with his own, found that most observers signalized the passage of a star a little later than he did himself, the difference sometimes amounting to more than a second. Other observers occupied themselves with the determination of the error, which is called the *personal equation*.

This is found to offer us the intellectual and nervous conditions of the individuals very; and so delicate were the observations of Donders and his collaborators that variations of 1-15 of a second have been detected.

The minute fractions of a second which these instantaneous phenomena involve are, of course, invisible. They can be so thoroughly appreciated as months and years; but, by means of the myograph, the comparison with common time is made. We have seen that the transmission of the will, in the shape of a nervous force along a nerve, is at the rate of something less than twenty-four yards a second; or forty-eight miles an hour; not much faster than an ordinary express-train.

To get a girdle round the earth in forty minutes, at the equator, would have required a speed on the part of Puck of 666 miles a minute. This would be more than 700 times as fast as a man will run from fire or from his own especially our fastest conductors, the nerves. In other words, if it a will were to summon the spirit of the goblin, it would have to select a latitude hardly more than five miles from the point in order to complete the circuit in the allotted time.

"Our Pilgrimages," by Lucretia P. Hale, and "Ups and Downs," by E. E. Hale,—the former a recital of travel in the East and the Holy Land, and the other, one of Mr. Hale's very readable stories,—are continued.

Some more extracts are given from the

GESTA ROMANORUM,

which were noticed last month. Here is one of the most striking:

Two physicians once resided in a city which was admirably skilled in medicine; inasmuch, that all the sick who took their prescriptio as were healed; and it thence became a question with the inhabitants which of them was the best. After a while, a dispute arose between them on this point. Said one, "My friend, why should there be discord a ong us? Come, let us make the trial; and whosoever is inferior in skill shall serve the other." "But how," replied his friend, "is this to be brought about?" The first physician answered, "Hear me, I will pluck out your eyes, without doing you the smallest injury, and lay them before you on the table; and when you desire it, I will replace them in a perfect and serviceable as they were before." In like manner you can perform this, we will then be fastened eq and walk as brethren through the world. But, if ssember, he who fails in the attempt shall become the servant of his fellow." "I am well pleased, return he made the proda you say," whereupon, he w and extracted the position took out his instruments, a outer part of the eyes, besmearing the sockets and th "My dear friend," lids with a certain rich ointment. "Of a surely, said he, "what do you perceive?" "Of a surely, cried the other, "I see nothing. I pray you, put the use of my eyes, but I feel no pain from their loss. I pray you, however, restore them to their place." "Willingly," said his friend, as you promise." again touched the lids with the ointment, inserted the bones and then, with much precaution, to you see now?" balls into their sockets. "How asked he. "Excellently," answered the other; "nor do I feel the least pain." Well," continued the first, "it now remains for you to t eat me in a similar manner." "I has ready said The latter. And, accordingly, taking the instruments as the first had done, he smeared the upper and under part of the eye with a peculiar ointment, drew out the eyes, and placed them upon the table. The patient felt no pain; but added, "I wish you would hasten to restore them." The operator cheerfully complied; but, as he prepared his instruments, he observed with a wicked smile, and, seeing the eyes upon the table, snatched one of them up, and flew away with it. The physician, vexed at what had happened, said to himself, "Verily, I do not restore the eye to this patient, but instead thereof his wicked At that moment a goat, browsing at no great distance, attracted his observation. Instantly he ran to it, drew out one of its eyes, and put it into the place of the lost one. When he returned, he asked, "how do things appear to you?"—"Neither in extra ing nor in replacing," he answered. "Did I suffer the least pain; but, blame me I one eye looks up to the trees," replied the first, "this is the very perfection of medicine. Neither of us is superior; him conferred be friends, as we are equals; and thus shall our skill be proved." Which had desired not peace." The goat-eyed man of physic acquiesced; and lived from this time in the greatest amity.

"A foolish physician. If the other succeeds, he has acquired his supremacy unjustly; and, at least, if he lost his eyes. At all events, he could gain nothing by the experiment.

VAN NOSTRAND'S.

At a time when our great civilization seems to breed great calamities, like the horse-disease and the Chicago and Boston fires, and a feeling of insecurity weakens the very foundati ns of our nineteenth-century pride, which beg to remember with fear the plagues of the ages, is not reassuring to read Captain son's article, in *Van Nostrand's Eclectic Engineering Magazine*, on

THE SOURCE OF SOLAR ENERGY;

i. e., its heat. The combustion theory, lately resuscitated by M. E. Vicaire, meri no consideration; the theory that the heat is caused by the constant raining upon the solar surface of millions of meteors is disproved by careful investigation; it only remains to show that the heat is generated by a motion of the particles of the sun toward its centre; i. e. a contraction caused by the attraction of gravitation. This mechanical energy generates the heat that warms the universe. Popular gratification with this lucid explanation of the cause of heat will be somewhat saddened by the thought that the process is, by its very nature, an exhaustive one, and that we must some day stand still in a frozen heaven. Two million years ago the sun was one-tenth larger than now, and the highest temperature at the tropics was 87 degrees hotter; 6,000 years ago, than now. This rate for the luxurious flow which geology reveals in its record of past ages. Two millions years hence, the sun will be one-tenth smaller than now. The nebular hypothesis of Laplace finds striking confirmation in these calculations, which Captain Ericsson enforces with the most elaborate mathematics. Helmholtz, too, has proved that the condensation of the sun's volume, in accordance with this theory, would develop enough mechanical energy to make good the present solar emission. Easy-going people need take no comfort in the thought that the last particle will not find its resting-place about the solar centre, and the last spark of heat will not be set fire, until two millions of years have elapsed. These ruthless diagrams and figures of the Captain's show that the sun is shrinking day by day at no less rapid a rate than 1-10,000th part of its diameter in 864 years, which causes a fall of the surface of the sun of 10 feet a month. Worse yet, this solar mechanism gets out of order, the condensation seems liable sometimes to stop in some places, and the heat to fail. We do not know at what moment our heavenly furnace may cease to work. History informs us that more than once he has refused to radiate. Herschel states in his "Outlines of Astronomy," that, "in the annals of the year A. D. 936, the sun is said to have suffered a great diminution of light, which continued fourteen months. From October, A. D. 626, to the following June, a defalcation of light to the extent of one-half is recorded; and in A. D. 1547, during three days, the sun is said to have been so darkened that stars were seen in the daytime." Again, the glacial periods, the ascertained abrupt termination and recurrence of which puzzles the geologist, point to periodical derangement of the solar mechanism in past ages.

Shakspeare tells us to "swear not by the moon, the inconstant moon." He evidently meant that we should swear, if swear we must, by the "ceaseless" sun. But Captain Ericsson takes from us even that votive centre.

RAILROAD GAUGES.

The construction of cheap lines of narrow-gauge railways has become a matter of general public interest. "The battle of the Gauges renewed" gives the points of a recent work of M. Fairlies on this subject. The book is, in the view of the writer, a most valuable contribution to our literature treating of commercial railway discussion.

Other articles are as follows:

The Rolling of Ships (illustrated); Ancient Mining; The Sewage Problem; The Increasing Spiral of Heavy Rifled Ordnance; An Electrical Experiment with Insulated Rooms; Experiments with Dynamite; The Force of the Rudder, by Henry Ransford, Esq.; Water Contamination and Speculative Chemistry; Large Spans and Arches; Compressed Air Engines; Origin and Growth of Romanesque Architecture, by Edward A. Freeman; Notes on Sewage; On the Economy Shown in Roman Construction; Constructive Materials; A New System of Longitudinal Ship-Building, by J. H. Scott, Esq.; The Measurement of Ships; Rotary Valves and Seats in Motion, by J. McFarlane Gray; Suspended Railways; Bridge Cylinders; Lead Mines and Works in Germany; The Machinery of Ships of War; Large Roof Coverings; Roads or Railways; Railroad Bridges; Recent Explosives; Experiments with the Cameron Steam Pump, by M. H. Evans; Metrological Reform.

OVERLAND.

Northern California Indians seem to be much like other redskins, according to the account of them in the *Overland Monthly*. The present paper, which is the sixth of the series, describes

THE POMOS.

These attain their growth at a remarkably early age, some of their squaws becoming mothers at 10. Pomo woman are not allowed to study languages, although the men devote themselves with great assiduity to this pursuit. The dreadful humor of this custom we forbear to elucidate. The problem of existence with the Pomos seems to be the subjection of their women, who are very comely, and need to be guarded with a Turkish jealousy. Almost the sole object of government seems to be to keep them in proper subjection and obedience.

The one great burden of the harangues delivered by the venerable Peace-Chief on solemn occasions is the beauty and the excellence of female subjection and obedience, and the terrors of superstitious sanction and the direct threats of the great Prophet, and all the most dreadful calamities and pains of a future state, are hung suspended over the heads of those who are persistently disreputable. All the devices that savage cunning can invent—all the mysterious and masquerading horrors of devil-rising, all the scenes and dark sorceries, the frightful apparitions and bug-bears, that can be supposed effectual in terrifying hot young squaws into order—are resorted to by the Pomos.

OTHER ARTICLES.

There are, as usual in the *Overland*, some very good short stories in this number. "Lost" is the sad history of "Poor Cousin John," who loved till death one who at first requited his affection, but dismissed him suddenly without explanation, and disappeared from his life. "The Legend of the Mission Olio Grasperine" is a love-legend of the Mission Olio Grasperine, the scene laid among the Spanish who once held that country. "The Origin of Antiquities" is a very readable paper, showing that the mounds of the Mississippi Valley, and our other antiquities, prove the claim of the Northern nations of Europe that America was first discovered by them. The other contents are:

Asphodel (Poetry); Arab Literature and Love-Lore; Wasting the Rain; A Double Secret; Living Glaciers of California; John and Margaret (Poetry); Illustrations; No. III.—Bay Ocean; The Building of the University.

CONTEMPORARY REVIEW.

Most of the articles in the current *Contemporary Review* are of English interest. Such is the opening paper by the Rev. Malcolm Maccoll, in which Anglo-Catholicism is defended against the attack of the Bishop of Argyll.

The Rev. James Davies gives us some of the letters of Sir G. Cornwall Lewis, who, though not doing up to the public view on the great popular movements, held high position in the English Government, having been Secretary of War and Chancellor of the Exchequer, and was a man of high culture and character, and the intimate friend of men like Grote and De Tocqueville.

IN CONSTITUTIONAL GERMANY.

Enbulo-Ilvans traces the origin and nature of the Germanic Confederation back to the beginning of the century, and then follows up through the succeeding years, the changes which have made it what it is. We find room for his conclusions, as they are of deep interest at this crisis of German history which all Americans are keenly watching:

I. The responsibility of Ministers. In Prussia there certainly is sufficiently clear from the instance already cited from the annals of 1866. In what constitutional country would a Minister dare to raise on his own responsibility, the money expressly denied him by the Chamber? So, too, would the Chancellor hold himself responsible that he would again get gold for a war? Another example of the Chancellor's share in responsibility with other Ministers. Again, he maintains the rights of the Crown to appoint to certain offices in violation of regulations made by the Reichstag with reference to such appointments. And when the Chancellor, Reichstag, with a dim sense of responsibility, desires to have some information about foreign affairs, and petitions Bismarck for Blue Books, the high-handed Chancellor declares that he is not aware that he is responsible for what is called for; but, should they consider that he will see if he cannot by next year have "something innocuous put together for them!"

So much for Parliamentary Government in Germany.

II. How it stands with the liberty of the press will be sufficiently clear from the following testimony of a competent authority. "The German press," says Weckher, writing in 1864, "is subject to a restrictive and oppressive system, which, more by its damaging character than even by its harshness, seems to have been designed (instead of educating the representation of popular opinion to a noble freedom) either to deprive them of all courage, or to embitter and demoralize them. So lately as 1862, the liberty of the press was for a time entirely suspended, and the newspapers had to remain content with a discussion of internal politics. At the present time the journals are subject to a multitude of vexatious and degrading regulations. Amongst most significant of all, press-fines, which, above all others, the Constitution of 1848 provided should be tried by jury, are so tried in one alone of the German States—Bavaria."

III. With respect to the third, and, perhaps, most important phase of freedom, the liberty of the subject,—modern German self presents a picture the reverse of edifying. In this matter, the Government claims, or at least exercises, a power absolutely despotic. For instance, in 1860 the Deputy Mende made a speech on Gladbeck on the political condition of Germany, in which he asserted that, look where one would, the German was burdened and oppressed, and attributed a great part of the evil to the sinuous standing army. Hundreds of thousands of soldiers, he said, were kept for three years under arms. The first year they learned their drill, and the other two they were supported in idleness at the expense of the people.

For this harmless oration, which was not suffered to attain a greater publicity in Mende, although a member of the highest legislative body in Germany, Mende was arrested and thrown into prison. So, too, during the German-French war, the venerable Jacobi, the "sage of Konigsberg," was placed in confinement for venturing to raise the voice of humanity against the annexation of Alsace and Lorraine. The same fate befel a clergyman who, in the pulpit, took the not uncommon theological view that the victory sent by Providence to the Christian Germany for her Nazarene enemies, so specially under Divine protection as the King of Prussia and his Chancellor, this seemed nothing short of sedition.

Such is the present constitutional condition of Germany. No real liberty either of the press, of speech, or of the person. A paper obnoxious to the Government is at once confiscated; an individual imprisoned. The whole youth of the country, compelled to give up the three best years of their lives to military service, have imbibed habits of servile obedience, and, in too many cases, indulge, by way of compensation, in the coarsest and most shameless licentiousness. The Chambers, long since taught to "groan or be silent," tremble like helpless children if the Chancellor threatens his resignation. The country, in spite of the enormous sums received from France, groans under a burden of taxation to which hitherto she has been quite unaccustomed. The effects of war flourish, while the arts of peace decline. The finest army in the world has, as its necessary counterpoise, a powerful and servile, and unenterprising. The land is riddled with soldiers, before whom the rights of citizens have no longer a voice. More than six millions of pounds is infructuous, ready at any moment for use when the policy of the Chancellor shall once more necessitate a war. In spite of the most stringent prohibitions, the spirit of the country, whilst it helps to chant its paans, flees affrighted to England or America to escape the tyranny of the Government.

The position of the writer will be better understood if we add that he is one of the Catholic party. He says the Chancellor "had dared to throw down the gauntlet to the Church. After muzzling the press and the tribune, he has now undertaken to muzzle the minister of religion. Two more odious pieces of class-legislation—the law for visiting clergymen with special fines and penalties for preaching political sermons, and that for the expulsion of the Jesuits—are Prince Bismarck's latest efforts in the cause of humanity and progress."

Shadworth H. Hodgson writes of "The Future of Metaphysics;" and the Rev. T. W. Fowle of

"MIRACLES AND FACT."

His drift may be seen from this extract:

The more, as it seems to me, that we can rationalize or explain by natural causes other miracles, such as, for instance, the crossing of the Red Sea, or the more we succeed in doing away with the supernatural element in them by further discoveries in the regions of mind and matter, the better it will be for the cause of religious truth. This will have to be enlarged upon hereafter; but what we want is a mindedness of faith, which, starting with natural facts on the one hand, on the other some distinct revelation of God to the soul through the usual organs of apprehension. What man or what, I must again repeat, is not signs, wonders, or communications of Nature, but a voice from a living God, making itself heard by methods sufficient to satisfy a rational and sober mind of its reality. Such a voice may be heard only now and then, and may, in its special outward manifestation, be confined to a few concerned spiritually, from whom it descends so as in the usual channels of spiritual influence. But to them it reveals, in unmistakable language, not only the abiding character, but also the present designs, of Almighty God, and (it may be, for this is reasonably) produces in them that undefined control over Nature which we call miraculous. We seem thus to have taken one step towards placing ourselves at the centre of the labyrinth of the miracles, from whence we may hope to adjust its various windings in their true place of reality and usefulness. And yet every step only shows the more clearly what doubtful, hesitating, tentative work it needs must be, and how much easier it is either to swallow everything in reject everything, according to our mental bias or education. It is not, however, thus that a belief in God has been maintained in searching and trying times; nor has mere blind defence or equally blind attack any real or fruitful interest for those to whom inquiry is one of the chief delights, and truth one of the main objects of their lives.

FREE TRADE IN LAND

is a paper in which the principles which Cobden so successfully introduced into the commercial policy of Great Britain are applied to the laws concerning the tenure and transmission of land. There is in American land-policy a chaos as far as it is connected with the legislation of land-grants, an evil that requires the application of the same principles; but Mr. Arnold's paper follows the divergent track of primogeniture, entail, and the other abuses of English policy. His views have an interest, therefore, mainly for those who are interested in English politics. For them we give the abstract of his scheme:

In order to establish free trade in land,—of which, in these preliminary remarks, I have endeavored to explain the need,—I shall suggest legislation directed to the following points:

1. The devolution of real property, in cases of intestacy, in the same manner which the law directs in regard to personal property.

2. The abolition of copyhold and customary tenures.

3. The establishment of a Landed Estates Court, for the disposal of encumbered settled property.

4. A complete survey of the whole area of the United Kingdom upon a sufficient scale.

5. A system of registration of title, which shall be compulsory upon the sale of property, the fees upon registration—sufficient at least to destroy all official expenses—being a percentage on the purchase-money; the same percentage for all sums. A certificate of title would be given free of all costs in respect of any freehold lands of which the registered owner could prove undisturbed possession for thirty years. Any title could be registered in the Land Registry Office upon evidence of title for thirty years; the fees being the same as in case of sale, when the registration would be compulsory.

6. That, in preserving intact the power of owners of land to bequeath, with exceptions being in the case of trusts for the widow or the infant children (until their attain majority) of the testator, or for the benefit of a posthumous child.

He concludes:

Lastly, the farm-tenants ought to accept free trade in land if they wish to avoid measures which will have less regard for their interests when they know their position: for where they stand! They are 30,000 to 2,000,000: they have lost the rotten boroughs; they have lost the peculiar control they once possessed—which they usually handed over to a cognitive examiner—over national education; they are about to lose, by the agency of a secret system of ballot, their power of intimidation at elections. Resistance to reform will assuredly produce revolution, and the first act of peaceful revolution must be to impose necessary taxation upon the land, and to secure compulsory distribution at death, proportioned by law. It is certain as sunrise that our land system will not be permitted to continue in its present form. Revolutions might witness the installation of the plan for "nationalization," the hobby of so many of the sovereign classes, by which the State would purchase the land of the landlords, and grant leases of it to the occupiers of the soil. Democratic friends of order, must condemn our land system, because it deprives our country of the unfailing resources which other lands possess against revolution. Our land system is very frequently contrasted in regard to its beneficial. There is absolutely no power in the rural districts to gainsay the will of the masses in the towns. When a Socialistic Commune was erected in Paris, and demanded the exclusion of the city from the general law of the country, there were 5,000,000 landowners in France ready to say "No," and to enforce the views of property upon revolutionary Paris. Here there is no such force. The 30,000 landed families in the United Kingdom could not shield a moment from the breath of revolution; and, as for the peasantry, there are not (if they were the friends of the landed interest, which is not the case) more of them in the larger island than a single branch of manufacture connected with the vicinity of Manchester. The Reform act of 1867, the work of a Ministry of land-owners, carried by the country party—Mr. Disraeli having "educated" them to the task—thus constitutionally placed the supreme power in the hands of the population of the towns, and the ballot will confirm their authority.

The Rev. R. F. Littledale and the Rev. John Hunt close the number with a long description of the proceedings of the "Old Catholic Congress."

Kid Gloves.

Ladies who button on their dainty hands and arms the exquisitely-fitting kid glove (often with six buttons, and less than three is not considered stylish), have little idea of what numerous processes the skin has undergone before ready in such perfect shape to wear. The finest quality of skin used for kid gloves in market are raised in the district of Champagne, and really first-class gloves can only be produced in limited quantities. For the lower grades of gloves the skins raised in the southern parts of France, Germany, Austria, and Italy are the best adapted. These skins undergo a great variety of difficult and delicate processes; preparing of the rough skins, the tanning, shaving, currying, dyeing, all of which require the utmost skill in the greatest care to prepare the skins for a first-class store. The most important part is the tanning and reanimating the skins. After tanning, dyeing and tleaning, they pass into the hands of the tryers, whose duty it is to examine and prove the leather, and according to their capacity for taking the different colors. This tryer spends a life-time in acquiring this knowledge, while to the inexperienced they look all alike. The tryer then passes the skins to the cutter, after cutting them in long pieces, and marking with the size intended for, brings them at last into glove form by means of iron dies, placed under a heavy press, in which manner three or four gloves are compressed at one time. The glove is then ready for the sewing girl, who cannot finish more than two pairs a day, as every stitch is done by hand. After it is sewed it goes to the dressing room, is there carefully and neatly folded, buttoned or hooked, and packed in by the dozen in boxes ready for the trade. They vary in price, according to quality.

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MEETINGS.

Attention, Sir Knights.

Of St. Bernard Commandery, No. 35, K. T., annual session for election of officers and payment of dues, Tuesday, 10th inst., at 7:30 o'clock. By order of the E. C.

J. O. DICKERSON, Recorder.

Masonic.

Lafayette Chapter No. 3, R. A. M. The hall of Cleveland Lodge No. 721, A. F. & A. M., having been courteously tendered to us by Chicago Commandery No. 18, K. T., for the session of the Chapter, to be held in the Masonic Temple, corner of Halsted and Randolph-sts., on Monday evening, Dec. 9, at 7½ o'clock. All members are hereby summoned to attend.

By order of the H. P.

E. N. TUCKER, Secretary.

Masonic.

The members of Blazer Lodge, No. 271, F. & A. M., are hereby notified that the annual communication of their Lodge will be held in the Hall, corner Randolph and Halsted-sts., on Wednesday evening, at 7½ o'clock. It is expected that every member will be present.

By order of the W. M.

D. C. WHITE BY, Secretary.

Masonic.

Regular Assembly of Van Rensselaer Grand Lodge Portection of F. Hine Masons, on Monday evening, Dec. 9, at Masonic Temple, corner Randolph and Halsted-sts., for work. By order of the T. P. G. M.

J. B. SLOUTER, Grand Secy.

Masonic.

Annual convocation of Corinthian Chapter, No. 43, R. A., Friday evening, Dec. 13, at Masonic Temple, corner of Randolph and Halsted-sts. Election of officers and payment of dues.

J. O. DICKERSON, Sec.

Knights of Pythias.

All members of St. John Lodge, No. 12, K. of P., are requested to meet at their Castle Hall, 74 South Clark-st., on Friday evening next, Dec. 13. Business of importance to be transacted. Order of ALEX. McKENZIE, C. C.

J. C. DIXON, K. of R. S.

Steamfitters, Attention.

There will be a meeting of Chicago Steamfitters at Globe Theatre Hall, to-day (Sunday) at half past 2 o'clock, sharp. This will be the final meeting previous to the ball. A full meeting is desired. By order of

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Baby Clothes—Boys' Suits—Hosiery and Underwear.

Misses and children play so prominent a part in the social fêtes of American life that it would be folly to overlook them in the chronicle of fashionable novelties; their toilettes, unfortunately, are not a matter of so much consideration as a subject for far deeper consideration than that of mere personal adornment. We think this arises in many cases from thoughtlessness, and in more, perhaps, from a woman's desire that her daughters shall be as well or perhaps we might more correctly say as fashionably dressed as their associates. It is not long been a generally received opinion among certain people that

AMERICAN GIRLS

were to be the principal consideration in society, to be left perfectly free in opinion and action, that, what one suggests the propriety of their being accompanied in public by an older person, is to be looked upon as infringing upon their rights and decidedly behind the age. That this does not obtain among people of the highest culture, is emphatically true; but, to too many cases, it has become a widely-spread evil. At 16 a young girl should be fresh as a half-blown rosebud, with the dew of a June morning upon superfluous petals; but how often do we find them faded, with

Wrinkles as hoary
and gray as the world.

A series of juvenile parties that are *facsimiles* of the heated orushes at which older people engage in the wearisome pursuit of *plaisure*; late suppers, incipient flirtations, and the freedom with which they are allowed to steal places of amusement in the evening with young men, unchaperoned, give us, instead of the modest, shy, moss-rosebud of a girl, the hoarding marigold, who brazenly stares in the face each passer-by, until, in conduct and language, she is scarcely distinguishable from *demi-reps*. Their high-pitched voices are heard in still sparsos in theatre, omnibus, and railway-carriage, drowning with unceremonious obtrusiveness the quieter tones of their elders. For this the girls are not to be blamed, but the onus falls upon the mother. Whether, through thoughtlessness, selfishness, or a misappreciation of her duty, she neglects what should be the supreme business of her life, a proper solicitude in regard to the moral health of her children, in just so much does she contribute to the quota of forward, ill-mannered, unbearable specimens of the nineteenth century. Full of health and animal spirits, which must have vent in some way, they are offered so few proper means of exhausting their superfluous vitality that they are often guilty of seeming indiscretions, that are merely the result of an overflow of exuberant life.

The mother, weary with her round of fashionable society, or household cares, grown nervous and querulous from over-pleasure or over-work, shrinks with a feeling of pain from the vital redundance of her child, and, in her blindness, is absolutely glad when the door closes, and the girl has gone for a walk with some friend, equally thoughtless, equally full of life, and equally ready for any mischief that may present itself. How much better for the physical health of the mother if she had accompanied her daughter, aired her magnificent, tempered her pale cheek, and smoothed away some of the lines of care. There might have been one less ruffle on her child's dress, or Mrs. Somebody's reception might have been neglected; but the incalculable advantage to the daughter might possibly overbalance these omissions. With the art-galleries, the studios which are now usually thrown open to the public one day in the week, and kindred places of resort, it is probable that both the adult and junior lady could find entertainment. We hope the day will soon come when, throughout the length and breadth of our land, the American girl under 21 will not be found in public places unchaperoned. If mothers could but realize it, it really looks as if their daughters had no one to care for them. While the French go to one extreme, and consider the spinster of 40 quite as unable to take care of herself as the miss of 16, we go to the other and allow the child just emancipated from the nursery all the freedom which should only be granted to mature years and judgment. Give the young girls all the fresh, artless pleasures that you can. Let their early days be filled to overflowing with happiness, as some night pre-compensation for the hours in which the grasshopper will be a burden. Let them learn to dance, to sing, to ride, row, and drive, but interest yourself in their amusements, and, when they go to their dancing or riding lessons, either accompany them or send some reliable person in your place. Don't overdose them with sensual religion. The healthy child revels in it as she would in poor whiskey, and, in unlimited quantities, it is not infrequently followed by the same maudlin, defunctive condition. Teach her self-reliance, so that, if necessary, she may travel unprotected from the Atlantic to the Pacific, assured of respect through her own frank, modest demeanor, and not, as is too frequently the case, annoying the entire travelling public by her blatant self-assertion. Only in mother-care can do this, and to all other duties should be made subservient, until we get back our sweet young girls again, with their happy, laughing faces, healthful morals, and quiet manners, in lieu of the loud-talking, street-flirting, obtrusive miss who too frequently infests all our public places.

And now, "*Beaucoup à nos moutons*," slip back to our proper place, and detail the fiats of Fashion. First, we will consider

STREET-DRESSES

for these young Misses. In too many instances, school-girls are only distinguishable from their mammas by the difference in their years, their toilettes being so exact a copy of those of their elders that they look like matrons in miniature. This is pity when there are so many simple materials and are much better suited to them. Abroad, this distinction is very widely marked; but, in this country, there is a tendency to assimilation in more ways than one. Cashemires are especially pretty for young girls. A dress of these green, trimmed around the bottom with alternate folds of the material and a darker shade of silk, has accompanying it a polonaise, also trimmed with folds. This is simply draped, with a sash to match knotted at the left side. A sealskin cap, cuffs, and gloves accompany it; and the heavy thick black walking boots, finished at the top with a three-inch band of sealskin. A lizard-green cashemire was trimmed with side plaitings of peacock-green silk. An Alpine hat with a long aigrette of peacocks' eyes, came with this dress, also a boa of chinchilla, and a muff of the same material, finished at the edge with chinchilla, while a band and bows of the dress-trimming were fastened around the middle of it. A scarf, cloth redingote, trimmed with chinchilla, and fastened with oxydized silver buttons, finished this outfit. For

CARRIAGE DRESSES,

when Mademoiselle accompanies Mamma to pay visits of ceremony, there was a dress of ultramarine-blue silk, trimmed with ruffles, of the same and bands of velvet. An apron, with cache-coeur, was trimmed to correspond, and a Gabrielle-basque, which was fastened in the back by bretelles of velvet.

A velvet hat and a full set of ermine accompanied this suit. A velvet hat was trimmed with a broad kilt plaiting around the skirt, while the polonaise was set in deep scallops, which were bound with velvet and edged with very narrow Valenciennes, and half-flowing sleeves were finished in the same way, and held by bands and bows of the velvet. A velvet vest, fastened with pearl buttons, completed the suit. A frill of Valenciennes and a Swiss tie should be worn with it; also, a Quaker hat of grenat silk and velvet, with cerise-plume and velvet loops for trimming. A *gros grain* silk had the lower skirt cut, and the upper one trimmed with a two-inch fold of cerise velvet, looped high on the side with velvet buttons. A basque of cerise velvet was finished with oxydized silver chains and ornaments, while bretelles and sash completed it. A basque of the silk, lined with cerise satin, barring the collar and cuffs piped with velvet, was cut double-breasted. It had large flap pockets, and supplemented this suit.

HOUSE-DRESSES,

which are silks in fine *rayé* stripes, cashemires, Biarritz cloths, poplins, and cheaper goods. The fine-lined silks, that cost $1.25 a yard, make up very prettily for young misses. Introduce with bias ruffles or braids of velvet, their beauty consisting in their simplicity and fitness. White alpaca, with rose-color, cerise, or ciel-blue trimmings, is charming for evening wear. The garniture should consist of ruffles or ruchings, and never be elaborated into an imitation of the flounciings and puffings suited to more advanced years. White fleecy piques are also worn in the house. For

EVENING DRESSES,

tarlatane, organdies, and tulle seem to be the most in demand. A dress of white organdy, ruffled to the waist, has a sleeveless waistcoat of rose-colored silk, edged with silver fringe, and a sash of rose-colored ribbon, fastened with a knot of lilies-of-the-valley. A dress, which had four skirts of white tarlatan, had the hem of each bordered with a row of Marguerites worked in silk. The body was round, and the sleeves a full poufle. A black velvet bow had ends was fastened to the left shoulder with a bunch of Marguerites, while velvet bands passed from it across the back to the right side, where the upper skirt was caught up by them with a multiplicity of loops, ends, and flowers. A nearly similar dress was of tulle, worked with forget-me-nots, with ciel-blue sash and slippers. These are not worn over silk petticoats, but organdy or Swiss, and are absolutely ethereal in their lightness. A Bordeaux-colored organdy had a wreath of wild flowers embroidered on it, and was to be worn over a dark-scarlet silk petticoat. A quaint dress was of French blue silk, with a broad side-plaiting around the skirt, and a sleeveless polonaise of blondin fonillard, with a tiny blue leaf brocaded on it. It was cut away in front, to show a long blue vest, fastened with pearl buttons, while the sleeves, also of blue, were ruffled at the elbow, and finished with tulle plaitings. Bronze-buskins, and blue and white silk hose in longitudinal stripes, were to be worn with it.

SCHOOL DRESSES.

The material most in favor for these seems to be navy blue cloth, trimmed with white military braid. The underskirt is made plain, while the overskirt is an apron with sash ends. The loose blouse falls over the belt, and is confined at the waist by an elastic band. It has broad collar and cuffs, with anchors worked on them, and is fastened either with navy buttons, fastenings of steel, or those of oxydized silver. Plaids are not much worn, but a serviceable dress may be made from the dark green and blue clan tartans in large uneven markings. The underskirt should have a wide box-plaited ruffle, held by a band of black velvet, while the polonaise is cut in sharp points at the edge, and bound with velvet, and has rolling collar and mousquetaire cuffs of velvet. A water-proof dress should always be kept for stormy days. It is more serviceable than the ordinary cloak, and, when worn with it, keeps out the rain and snow perfectly. Alpacas and Empress-cloths also make pretty school-dresses, but should be trimmed with the same. Silks are entirely unsuitable, are in very bad taste, and not only show a lack of culture when worn so inappropriately, but betray a vulgar desire for show, or a wish to base superior claims upon a mere consideration of wealth. Stolid, pocky dermasous girls, the heavy-weights of the school-room, may fancy their more costly attire and superfluous bangles entitle them to be considered only a little lower than the angels, and, as even a small gathering is but an epitome of the whole social world, they will no doubt find sycophants among their companions; but they will have about as much chance against our bright-eyed, intelligent ones, our Light Guard of the brain, as a leaden sword against a Damascus blade; so, young ladies, plain dresses for the school room. Jaunty jackets of thick beaver or chinchilla cloth are cut double-breasted, and finished with a heavy cord. Felt hats, with plain bands and stiff wings, or sealskin caps, are the proper headgear, while fur gloves will keep many a little hand from Jack Frost's unceremoniously painful kisses. A broad watered ribbon, with bow and ends, is fastened to the left shoulder of the jacket, and has a long piece attached, which is finished with a bow. This passes through the cuff, and is fastened on the right shoulder with a shawl-pin. Fur gloves will to a great extent, however, supersede the muff. For

MISSES FROM SIX TO TEN YEARS,

dresses of navy blue flannel or serge are trimmed with a lighter shade of blue and Cashmere folds, have the usual blouse waist, and a sash of light blue Cashmere knotted at the side. A pretty dress was of white Cashmere, the skirt laid in kilt plaits, while an overdress of blue and white striped camel's hair was simply scalloped, and bound with blue silk—sash and hair-bow to correspond. A more serviceable dress was of gray Cashmere, made in the same way, with black and white striped overdress and Cashmere colored ribbons. The white, fleecy piques are also much worn by girls of this age. A charming dress had a petticoat of scarlet silk, quilted in diamonds, with a gray poplin overdress, black velvet sacque, and chinchilla cap, boa and muff. Children's dresses are almost as universally made with a vest front as are those for older persons. Outside garments are both short and long. The long sacque is usually a cape trimmed with bear-fringe. The material is soft beaver-cloth, lambs' wool, or chinchilla. Hats, like those for older girls, are of felt and velvet, or a fur cap is worn. For

THE LITTLE ONES

white is still the prevailing dress, even in the coldest weather, and in well-heated houses, with proper underclothing, is the prettiest, and is sufficiently warm. Fleecy piques, and plain ones trimmed with nansook ruffles, are the materials used. The sash is usually carried from the left side to the right shoulder, and tied there with long ends. The hair falls loose, and is held in place by a ribbon. The style of cutting the hair straight across the forehead, so conspicuous in all the Gainsborough portraits, has obtained somewhat, but not to so great an extent with the children as with their mammas, who have banged their hair in the dressing-room, while the little ones have banged their heads in the nursery. Walking-coats are made of velvet, fur, and Cashmere,—the latter sometimes elaborately embroidered. Velvet coats have satin facings, and, with the Cashmeres, are made with plaited backs, instead of being gored. They just show the lower ruffle of the dress. Normandy caps are comfortable additions to the wardrobes of the little ones. They replace the hats, and fit closely and warmly about the ears; are made of satin and velvet, and are trimmed with lace and tiny feathers. Full sets of coney and chinchilla are also extremely fashionable.

The French apron, made of nansook, still forms the prettiest overdress for children from 2 to 5 years. It is made both with high-necked yoke and long sleeves, and low-necked without sleeves. In the first style, however, it is considered the most *recherché*. Tiny white and striped silk hose are imported for these little ones, and high-heeled Pompadour shoes. The latter, however, should never be used, or the little foot may be crippled, and its symmetry spoiled before it has escaped from the nursery. A broad-soled shoe, with a broad, low heel, is the only suitable thing to purchase for children. It is scarcely worth while to sacrifice to the whim of the moment the comfort of the child, and perhaps, at the same time, make it a martyr when it reaches mature years.

INFANTS' ROBES.

These, although of some white material, go through as many gradations of ornamentation as those of a fashionable belle. Between the simple dress of tucked nansook and the elaborate robe of needlework and Valenciennes, there are many intermediate styles. For every-day wear, they are now frequently made with high neck and long sleeves, while the christening robe is a marvel of puffs, medallions, and lace. The front is usually a tablier of lengthwise puffs and lace insertion, while the bottom is finished with medallions and broad Valenciennes. This, when the child is taken to be cleansed from original sin, is frequently worn over a slip of blue silk, is ornamented with rosettes, and adorned with a broad sash,—all these being necessary to a fashionable renunciation of "the world, the flesh, and the devil." Valenciennes-lace caps are made over a wadded lining, while boy-babies sometimes wear sailor turbans of velvet and lace turned up at the side. Infants' cloaks are of white cashemire, embroidered with worsted and silk, and trimmed with fringe. They are made in a long sacque with sleeves, and have a deep outside cape. Flannel skirts are a yard long, and heavily embroidered, but a sensible mother will only use these occasionally, if at all. Short skirts, and dresses just covering the infant's feet sufficiently to keep them warm, are perhaps not so graceful-looking, but much healthier. The child is more easily handled, and the delicate little vertebræ not so likely to assume the line of beauty, which, in this case, certainly proves a contradiction, or that extremes meet. To procure additional warmth, the underskirt may have the back-breadth made an eighth of an inch longer than the front, and be buttoned up over it, thus leaving the child's limbs full play; but in no case should the absurd practice of pinning this skirt closely around them be resorted to. Pretty little sacques, skirts, and shoes, in soft wool, help to keep up the necessary amount of caloric; and no doubt, if these little animals could describe their feelings, they would designate this with unconscious, pathetic sarcasm, "a cold world."

BOYS' SUITS.

Last, but not least in his own estimation, especially as his life progresses, comes the boy, the life and the nuisance of the house a necessary evil, which might be judiciously suppressed for quite a period of his existence. Still, he exists, and can't go about in a primitive state; and, since he must be clothed, fond mothers like to know how to do it correctly. Until he is 6 years old, his dress does not materially differ from his sister of the same age; but he commences at this early date the same objection to abutions which he after wards anathematizes, longing for the time when he shall be a man, and needn't wash his face and hands. At 3 years of age, mothers who want their boys to look like boys (although it is generally the paternal relative, especially in regard so his first-born, who cautiously hastens the advent of bifurcated nether garments) may use the Scotch suit in place of the plain blouse. This he may wear until he is inducted into trowsers. The kilt skirt and vest are of some bright Tartan plaid, and the jacket of black velvet. A plaid scarf is fastened on the right shoulder with a rosette and thistle of oxydized silver. The Glengarry cap is of black velvet, tied with Scotch plaid ribbon, and the pouch is made of fur and trimmed with tassels.

For boys of 5 or 6 years, the sailor suits in blue diagonal cloth still prevail; while, for older ones, dark green and blue are both used. The Alpine hat, Scotch cap, and tarpaulin are still worn; but cold weather has produced an epidemic of sealskin and otter.

Overcoats are of soft, thick beaver, cut double-breasted, with either a velvet or fur collar. Seal overcoats are considered especially *distingué*. Tall, slender boys wear knickerbockers, while, for the stout ones, the trousers just cover the knee, and have buttons on the outside seams. Double-breasted jackets are worn with the knickerbockers, and a jacket open at the bottom to disclose the vest is the proper adjunct for plain nether garments.

HOSIERY AND UNDERWEAR.

Long stockings, reaching over the knee, are worn by boys, and both longitudinally striped silk and worsted hose are shown for girls. These also should reach above the knee, and be kept in place by elastics and buckles fastened to the waistband. Neither children or adults should ever wear an elastic around the leg for it tight enough to keep the stocking smooth, it destroys symmetry and impedes circulation. In our inclement climate, flannels for old and young are a necessity, and the drawers should always come to the ankle, being worn beneath the stocking, and reaching high enough down for the top buttons of the walking boot to come over it. Where leggings are not worn, bands are used to finish the boots. Undergarments of knitted or crocheted Saxony or zephyr wool have the merit of warmth, and elasticity, while fitting snugly. Those perseveringly industrious mortals who never look at stitches from an æsthetic point of view, who would be put in a pucker by a false one, and in Berlin wool or something patchwork to employ them, and whose ideas of a glorious *epic* find expression in "How doth the little busy bee improve each shining hour," or "Satan finds some mischief still for idle hands to do," might find in the manufacture of these woollen garments a useful employment for their hands. What a pity these dreadfully industrious people can't have all the work, which they enjoy with such self-satisfied hemmings, and leave "the rolling stones, that gather no moss," only an occasional idea,—the sensuous soul to whom "*dolce far niente*" is Paradise, but who occasionally astonishes the world with a brilliant thought,—to their "awful shiftless" ways.

THE "SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL."

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

SIR: Like all others who read the papers, I saw the announcement of Mr. McVicker's intention of giving the "School for Scandal," with new costumes, scenery, etc. Afterwards I saw the criticisms on the performance. They were all laudatory of everything, which signified to me that the critics had either not been near the theatre at all, which I believe is sometimes the case,—they indorsing a bill of which they know nothing, and trusting to the ignorance of the audience to save it from protest,—or they had considered it easier, more polite, and more consistent with the wishes of the actors to applaud than to condemn. As the player looks upon the critic who praises him as a fellow of infinite discern, a man to be cultivated, to be irrigated with liquors, and to be called "my dear boy" in public places, to the end that there may be a plentiful harvest of laudations. But he who condemns, is a pure ass. He knows nothing of plays, nothing of life. The actors frown. The actresses call him a perfect fright, and McVicker looks askance.

So, not being especially busied, I went to the theatre to see for myself, and, having a free seat, had, as was only proper, a slight prejudice in favor of the management. The play belongs to a class which I like. One gets weary of the "crackling bombast" of tragedies, and the "Darling girl, I love you," and the "Ha! ha! villain! you are in my power," of melodramas. One likes to hear the natural and brilliant conversation of ladies and gentlemen—to hear the wit of Sheridan from the mouth of Coombs. But in that I was disappointed, for there was missing just precisely what I wanted. The costumes are admirable, the scenery is all it should be, the play moves rapidly and without hitching, and the pauses are brief; but there excellence stops. The performers do not move like human beings, and they do not talk like them. Their voices are artificial; and their laughter is now a cackle, now a chuckle, now a cluck, now an asthmatic wheeze. It is that abominable stage laughter which saddens one as much as the frantic laughter of a lunatic, though one is the child of idiotcy and the other of madness. Their manners are not natural, and not in accordance with the times. "Nothing, if not natural," is a sentiment which is strange to them. I hear *Sir Peter* talking to his wife, not Falsetto squeaking at Falsetto; I wanted to hear conversation, not declamation, not a ceaseless succession of laughter; nothing like that which occurs when *Sir Peter* and *Sir Oliver* meet, as if two laughing hyenas were to come together after a long fast on human flesh.

Mr. McVicker, or the actors, have stuck close to the original text. The only deviations are that *Moses* has a few things given to him to say, which amount to nothing one way or the other. But, in the auction scene, there are a couple of excessively vulgar interpolations, one being the knocking down of *Moses* by *Careless*, and the other the seizing hold of his neckcloth by *Trip*, who spins him off therewith, as if the son of Israel were a top, and his neckcloth a piece of string. However, these are applauded, as are the buffoonish writhings of the victim, just as at the circus all scream with laughter when the Ringmaster lashes the Clown around the ears with his whip. It is curious how the sight of simulated physical pain pleases audiences. If A slaps B, and the victim makes a wry face, there is laughter. But if A kicks B, and the latter limps off the stage, with his hands behind him, the audience breaks into gusty mirth. The philosophy of this is not now under consideration, but it is a subject whereon much may be said.

Miss Jane Coombs has an easy task—for a woman. In one scene she talks scandal; most women are born with a fancy for it. In another she coaxes; its a feminine gift. In another she scolds; a woman's inheritance. In another she is penitent and loving; an easy part. In another, she repels the would-be seducer; that's easy for many women. She dresses well, and an actress in silk always attracts more than one in muslin. She looks well, and folly from a pretty mouth draws better than wisdom from a homely one, as a great many young ladies in Chicago can testify. She is affected; but she is not quite up to the country girl metamorphosed into the lady of fashion. When discovered by her husband in *Joseph's* room, however, she tells her tale in the thrilling tragic voice, as if it were Anna Dickinson in a pathetic part of her lecture. It is not the tone customary on such occasions. But then Miss Coombs, never having been caught in such a pickle as *Lady Teazle* was, cannot be expected to know how to act naturally, just here.

Her conversation with *Joseph* in his room culminates with his putting his hand upon her knee, whereupon she rises and draws back. This is out of place here. *Joseph* was not specially desirous of doing much more than simply compromising *Lady Teazle*. This gesture comes in very pat where Tartuffe is talking with Elmire, and is congruous with all the actions of the "holy man," but is quite unnecessary here.

Were Miss Coombs poorer and homelier, were she a stock actor and not a star, it is doubtful whether she would be praised as unhesitatingly as she now is.

The part of *Sir Peter*, which is given to Mr. Lanigan, is better and more evenly performed than any of the others. He gives occasional glimpses of nature and the real *Sir Peter*, but, unfortunately for himself and the audience, they are very rare. It is the defect of this actor that he represents, not the character he is set to play, but the conventional "old man," the abstract portraiture thereof as it appears to the ordinary actor. As pork, beef, and mutton all taste very much alike at a common restaurant, and the cook does not see why you should complain, since they all taste like meat, so the father of *Dorothy*, *Sir Peter Teazle* and *Former Price*, though one is a stately Venetian nobleman, the other an English gentleman of polish and of breeding, and the other a plain yeoman, are all made to talk and walk alike, and the actor does not see why you should complain, since they all behave according to his preconceived notion of the way an "old man" should. Mr. Lanigan has assumed the clothes of *Sir Peter*, and his wig. He has the outward and visible signs, but not the inward and spiritual grace. The voice is that of Jacob, and not of Esau. If *Sir Peter* is Joseph's servant were to have stolen his master's clothes, and gone to have a gay time at Ranelagh, he would have given a far better imitation than Mr. Lanigan has done, because Mr. L. has not attempted to give *Sir Peter* at all, but simply his conventional "old man," a thing which never existed, except upon the stage, and which is as unnatural a character as *Harlequin* or *Columbine*. Having committed this error, and having set out by playing something not assigned to him, he is beyond the reach of criticism, just precisely as one would refrain from criticising the prompter, were he to simply read the part. If Mr. Lanigan ever attempts to play *Sir Peter*, then it will be time to see whether he succeeds or fails.

Sir Peter Teazle was a gentleman of wealth and position that lived at the time when men, though singularly gross in many of their habits, yet generally assumed that dignified, and, to our notions, ultra-polite manner which harmonized so well with their rich dresses and their elaborate hair. In those days there still towed, He himself, though he had married a young wife, was not broken down by age. He was a luxurious husband, easily controlled by a "white wench's black eye," choleric, impatient, and intolerant of contradiction; but he was not senile; he was not in his dotage. The old man whom Mr. Lanigan and so many other actors are continually portraying, is an individual pretty nearly bereft of his wits, and sinking into second childhood, especially when he has anything to do with women. He beslavers the object of his affections. A man may be past his grand and lusty prime" and yet not go a-wooing as Smuggler does to Lady Lurewell. There are chance intimations of possibilities of better things in some points in *Sir Peter's* interviews with his wife, but the scenes were quite atrocious if the actor were really trying to play the part assigned to him.

Thus, in the "screen" scene, it is very natural, very right, possibly, for the conventional old man to indicate the whereabouts of the "little French milliner," by kicking back with one of his legs, pointing over his shoulder with his thumb, and uttering a slight aside. Indeed, these gestures are sometimes found in the processes of the provinces, and among the roysterers of the Board of Trade. But, *Sir Peter* act thus! Tut, he would as soon have

Put his thumb unto his nose, and spread his fingers out.

There was a time when this charmed the galleries, but that is past. They must have stronger food. So why cannot *Sir Lanigan Teazle*, in the afore-mentioned scene, in his fit of uncontrollable mirth at *Joseph's* depth, turn a double flip-flap, and knock the screen over with his heels. Now, neat, striking, and not a whit more out of character or more than disgusting than the legthumb-and-sequel business. "Slap my vitals! A very vulgar fellow."

One approaches Pendleton, *alias Sir Oliver*, with fear and trembling. He is beyond all common rules. His play is no more to be compared with that of ordinary actors than the actions of Frankenstein with those of mere mortals. He has gone into himself, and has evolved a creature which has a likeness to neither gods nor men. The critics speak of his laughter as being "forced." It is a ridiculously inadequate expression, like speaking of Mont Blanc as quite a hill, and yet language fails, when an attempt is made to portray that laugh. Occasionally it somewhat resembles the sound which one might suppose would emanate if a hen, which had just committed an egg, were to fly into the open mouth of the Hon. John Wentworth, mistaking it for the door of the hen-house, and, safely settled in his stomach, were to keep on cackling furiously. Men, mad with revelry, never laughed thus; devils never laughed thus, as they rejoiced over ruined souls; the Bacchanals never laughed thus in their maddest moments, as they lacerated the body of Orpheus. When by the rout that made the Hideous roar—It is a comfort to think that when Pendleton dies, his laugh will die with him, "and be interred with his bones." But, when Pendleton wakes up on the dreadful judgment day, his laugh will wake up with him, and will thrill the shuddering souls as it did audiences at McVicker's. And then—but this is anticipating the course of events.

Mr. Pendleton has two gestures. One is the protrusion of the stomach, the other the sticking out of his back. The first signifies happiness, the second anger. The philosophy of this is unknown. This conception is also original with Mr. Pendleton, and he uses it with great prodigality. When *Charles* pleases him, out goes his stomach; when he angers him, it comes home again. And since *Sir Oliver's* enunciation is not exactly what enunciation should be, these simple motions, which at first lead one to imagine Mr. Pendleton has a pain under his apron, are of great service to the audience, as plainly indicating, from moment to moment, the changing emotions of that worthy gentleman.

Mr. Pendleton's voice he is not so original. He may have been cradled in the lap of luxury, and coddled by soft-voiced dames before he got his voice, he would appear to have dwelt for some time with a sea captain accustomed to roar down the winds, and with a Methodist Elder who uttered pious sentiments with a seely sauffle and a decayed twang. These influences have made a plastic mind of youth, and Pendleton canned. *Sir Oliver* claims peculiarly when he meets *Sir Peter*. Would any one take it for a couple of English gentlemen meeting after a long absence? No, it might be Methuselah, advanced in life, coming across Abraham after a separation of a few hundred years. It might be anything but what it ought to be. And then the hand-shaking! Fancy a couple of town pumps shaking hands to the tune of the tolling of church bells. Water dripping slowly meanwhile from their venerable nozzles. Says the First Pump to the Second Pump,—that is, says *Sir O.* to *Sir P.*, etc., etc.

Mr. O'Neill, who takes the part of *Charles Surface*, can do better. He has in him the stuff of which good actors are made, but, before he can get at it, he must purge, he must go through the fiery furnace, and have all his giggle burnt out of him. No school girl, no young lady with good teeth, ever giggled more. One cannot imagine a situation in life in which Mr. O'Neill would not come up giggling, nothing which would not serve him as a peg whereon to hang a laugh. It is well to veil a lack of memory by a giggle, and slur over the prompter's words with a laugh, but this eternal hilarity, whether drinking or dicing, or borrowing or wooing, is out of place. Mr. O'Neill dresses well, and looks well, but he is not yet the gay and gallant gentleman of a light heart and lighter purse, the Sir Harry Wildair of his day. His hilarity does not sound as if it came from "the juice of Burgundy's grape, the finest grape juice going," but as if it were inspired by hard cider. He is too apt, when delivering himself of the few "noble sentiments" allowed him, to speak them as he would: "What's banished but set free?" Whereat the gallery applauds, and O'Neill is elated. Coy Nature is not yet his mistress. If he would only talk to "Premium" as he would to a pawnbroker! Has Mr. O'Neill never known financial embarrassments?

Mr. Power has an admirable part, that of *Joseph Surface*, but what a blank, what a plain of dulness he makes of it! Criticize him! Criticize a whitewashed wall. To state Mr. Power's performance mathematically, is simple; his equivalent is 1—0. He sednce *Lady Teazle!* Why, he could not lead the most "sluttish spoil of opportunity" astray. It is as if the "icicle that hangs in Dian's temple" were to go a-wooing. And then the screen scene! Can he feign perplexity no better than that? Let him make love to two women, let them come together, and let him make frantic efforts to prevent a disclosure, then he will get hints. His manner when with *Lady Teazle* is of the words, wordy. The intentions of Providence concerning this gentleman were very clearly defined. Reasonably perfect as to the legs, and by no means ill-favored, he was intended to bear banners in triumphal processions, shield and helm in battles, and salver and glasses at dinners. But if he deliberately chooses to fly in the face of a well-meaning Providence, that is his business and McVicker's.

The part of *Maria* is a very simple one. She is a nonentity, put in to provide the scapegrace with a wife, and round off the play with a wedding and a reformation. She is a goody-goody girl, who says "oh fie" to the scandalous remarks of the other ladies, and who, in the closing scene, has little to do but to look sweet, and blushingly deny that she has so soon promised *Charles* to be his. But, of even this little, Miss McAllister contrives to make nothing. An audience, weary of the inane laughter of Mr. O'Neill and the gesticulation of Mr. Pendleton, would willingly accept even moderate mediocrity, if she would furnish it to them. But she, too, dissatisfied with the voice which nature gave her, has succeeded in manufacturing one somewhat similar to that wherein a high school girl recites Sheridan's Ride. It has hysterical intimations in it, and she talks as if she were trembling lest a waiter should spill some gravy on her dress. At the close, she replies to *Charles'* statement that she has promised, with the air of a *girl disinvested* by her mother-in-law of the pickle jar, and jazzed with design on its contents. All that is needed to make the lunatic complete is for her to put her little finger in her mouth, and say "I never, ma!"

Of *Careless*, it is necessary to say very little, and that little not so very long. The other evening, the well-known auctioneer X was in the house. What with dozing, and outside excursions between acts, he fudged along very well till he came to the auction scene. When that was over, he got up and left, simply observing that he never saw such an infernal parody in his life. If *Mr. Careless* will please arise, some foremen, and betake him to the auction room, he will get valuable tuition, and will be enabled to hold the mirror up to nature a little more closely than he has done. Of course, the original *Mr. Careless* did not go through the work like a perfect auctioneer. If anything, he exaggerated it; but he did not dawdle through it. He had been drinking Burgundy. Does that make one perceive, most excellent *Careless?* Does it make one say "going, going, gone," as a schoolboy would decline "good, better, best?"

Lady Sneerwell is, on the whole, well enough till she comes to the last scene, when she discovers that *Snake* has betrayed her, And then comes a most lamentable break-down. She says her words—"A villain! Treacherous to me at last!" But how? Like a passionate woman, baffled of her love, and exposed before the eyes of her rival? No such thing. Does she could coo out "villain" more gently than she. Why, she seems to think it ill-bred to speak it with any emphasis. It comes out casually, as one might say "Hannah, somebody is ringing."

There are other parts, but they are minor ones, and we are not accustomed to expect any particular skill apart from those who take them. We look for a little dulness, and that is all. The emotions of the mind, however, after listening to some of these individuals were about as follows:

Roseley—Oh dear!
Crabtree—Oh my!
Sir Benjamin—Oh gracious!
Trip—Oh Lord!

So I went away from the "School for Scandal" a little disappointed, and somewhat disgusted, and yet, after all, there is nobody specially to blame. The play drew well, and seemed to satisfy the audience. McVicker probably made money by it, and that lets him out. Most of the actors cannot do better than they did. Good men cannot be had for the low wages they receive. The only fault to be found is with two or three people who can do better, but for some unexplained reason will not.

BEFORE THE BURIAL.

Earth, let thy softest mantle rest
This wearied child to thee returning,
Whose youth was nurtured at thy breast,
Who loved thee with such tender yearning!
Here, where thy fields and woodlawn ways,
And deeded dells, are his brother's—
Asleep, beyond our blame or praise,
We yield him back, O gentle Mother!

Of pride, of blame, he drank his fill,
Who has not read the life-long story?
And dear we hold his fame, but still
The man was dearer than his glory.
And now to us are left alone
The closet where his shadow ling

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BUSINESS PROSPECTS.

That various influences have, for some time tended toward a degree of commercial stringency, may now be safely predicated from the result that commercial stringency is upon us. Among the influences producing the present financial stringency are the very large amount of capital that has been turned to building railroads which are temporarily unprofitable, the considerable amounts destroyed by fire in Chicago and Boston, and the further sums withdrawn from commerce and devoted to rebuilding, preceded by the war in Europe, and the heavy financial transactions of the German and French Governments connected with the payment of the French indemnity, and the not inconsiderable draft made on American producers and taxpayers by the demands of our own National debt. All these withdrawals of capital from its accustomed channels are abnormal and temporary. Railroad building has received a check, which comes none too soon. These railway enterprises have been generally land-speculations on a large scale, the companies building so much road for so much land, and not expecting to reap a profit from legitimate traffic for some years to come. To this false and pernicious system, more than to anything else, we owe the present stringency in the money market. And, as regards this branch of the financial situation, no relief can be looked for until the roads in question shall begin to earn something over their operating expenses, or until the country shall have reproduced the capital which has been thus unprofitably invested.

Looking at the sources of our business prosperity, we find that they depend principally upon our annual crops, and these, both South and North, are fully up to their average. Agricultural industry of every kind has been actively productive, though special causes have depressed the prices of some of our great staples. Cotton and grain, beef and pork, iron and wool were never more abundantly produced than during this year. Labor and capital have everywhere been under strain to do their utmost. There has been no idleness, no suspension or disorganization of labor. A people thus working produce in four years more property than all the accumulated wealth on the American Continent. This fact alone is sufficient to account for the vast recuperative powers of an energetic people under pressure or disaster of whatever kind. The annual production of the country is now about $5,000,000,000, or as much as the whole cost of the war. How much of this shall be consumed in the expenses of living depends on the people themselves. But such resources are vast compared with the burdens and exigencies that tend toward distress, and we believe they will tide us safely over the present stringency. Everywhere the people of the United States are full of confidence and courage. Every American must rejoice with a common and kindred pride to see the invariableness of the silent, persistent energy with which for ten years past our business men of every class have faced the future, and risen grandly over the waves of trouble that threatened to engulf them. So they are doing now. Real estate in our immediate vicinity is suffering a temporary lull, owing to the enormous sums invested in rebuilding, and the uncertainty occasioned by changes in the centres of business. The completion of hundreds of business blocks has been also most unfortunately impeded by the horse disease prevailing here and elsewhere. This has entailed delays in contracts and in payments which, in many cases, are most inconvenient. A liberal spirit of indulgence will tide us over these difficulties, and perhaps it is as well that fewer buildings should be simultaneously thrown upon the market for rental than would have been had all the blocks been completed before the cold weather which had aimed to be finished by that time. We feel no doubt that all the buildings now erected and in course of erection will be profitably rented by midsummer at the furthest. Nor do we doubt that Chicago will be a far finer city on the second anniversary of the fire than it was before that disaster, nor that it will continue to advance as rapidly as human energy can push it, until, at the close of the present decade, it will contain six hundred thousand souls.

We do not expect the financial difficulties which now vex us to produce a revulsion or general crash. They are too small compared with our resources and the irresistible impetus of our industry. Our banks, insurance companies, Government debt, State debts, and all the other stays of public credit are sound. Our people are not individually in debt above their means to pay. There have been no vast sales of surplus merchandise far in excess of the demand and on long credits, the notes for which fill the banks to repletion with doubtful paper and distend their discounts. These are the conditions under which previous financial panics have occurred. They do not now exist. Patience, economy, and industry will tide us through.

COUNTING THE VOTES.

We have presented in general terms the successful operation of the cumulative voting system in the choice of representatives in the Legislature. For the first time the people are represented in one branch of the Legislature as nearly in the proportion of their division upon political questions as possible. But the returns show that there is another evil in our system of elections, and that is in the matter of counting the votes. The returns indicate that the Inspectors of Election have miscounted, or have disregarded, the division of votes in many instances, or that this system has developed and exposed more strikingly a general negligence and carelessness on the subject of counting the ballots than is supposed to exist. A few examples will illustrate.

The ballots in this county, and we suppose they were the same elsewhere in the State, all had printed on them a division of the Representative vote. The regular party tickets contained the names of two candidates, each marked 1¾ votes. There were innumerable split tickets, upon which a different division was indicated, in some instances giving 3 votes for a candidate, or 2 for one candidate and 1 for another, but in every instance the whole vote was apportioned, and none was lost. It is reasonable to assume that every man who voted for State Senator, voted also for members of the Legislature; consequently the total vote for Representatives in each district should be three times as many as the vote for Senator. But the returns do not exhibit anything of the kind.

The vote for Senators and Representatives in the First, Second, Third, and Seventh Districts of this county (being the only districts of which we have the figures at hand) aggregate as follows:

Districts.	Vote for Senator.	Vote for Representative.	Loss.
First	8,825	15,289	1,326
Second	9,817	29,100	351
Third	1,842	31,103	2,423
Seventh	5,998	17,241	723

It will be seen from these figures that in these four districts there was an aggregate loss of 4,823 votes, or an average loss of 1,200 votes in each district. The other Cook County districts show a loss in the same way, and a glance over the returns from the Senatorial districts throughout the State exhibits a loss in nearly every district, though, as a general thing, the loss is less than in this county. Assuming 500 as the general average of the Representative vote lost in each district, the aggregate loss in the fifty-one Senatorial districts of the State will reach 25,500 votes.

The recent election in St. Louis, and the disclosures that have since taken place, may, perhaps, throw some light on this subject. The vote, as returned by the Judges of that county for Sheriff, elected Mr. Taylor by fourteen majority. Upon proper petition, the Circuit Court appointed a commission of respectable gentlemen to recount the votes for Sheriff. There was no fraud charged, nor is there the least suspicion that any was attempted, or intended. But of the forty-four election precincts in the city, the votes in the boxes of no one of them corresponded with the returns. Of the ten or more precincts in the county outside of the city, one-half of them were also found to be erroneous. These errors, in every case, were the result of carelessness, and a failure to read the tickets. Instead of examining each ticket in detail, and counting each ballot separately, they were separated into piles, merely glanced at, and the result declared upon the assumption that all the tickets in each pile contained precisely the same names. The recount, after showing the fact that the official vote was incorrect in every one of the forty-four city precincts, and in many of the others, showed that Mr. Taylor had been defrauded of 321 votes polled for him, and that he had been credited with 129 votes he had not received. That the other candidate, Maguire, had been defrauded of 243 votes polled for him, and had been credited with 92 votes he had not received. Though these corrected returns did not change the final result, it disclosed the fact that nearly 1,000 ballots had been miscounted or not counted. This blundering was not confined to any one precinct, nor was it in favor of any candidate. It happened in every precinct in the city, and operated against each of the candidates.

What has happened in St. Louis is as likely to happen elsewhere, and especially in this State, where the counting of ballots is complicated by the fractional votes for Representatives and the unequal distribution of votes under the cumulative system. In one district of the city there were on election day a variety of ballots bearing the name of Judge Bradwell; on some of these he was marked 3 votes, others 2, others 1¾, and others 1 vote. So perhaps with other candidates, and possibly the loss in the Representative vote here and throughout the State is due not only to the general carelessness and inexperience of the Judges, but to the complications of the cumulative system, and that, in this way, fractions and cumulations were frequently overlooked and not counted.

The value of the ballot must be very small if the ballots when polled are not counted correctly. We do not refer now to cases where fraud is practised. Under our law the polls remain open from 8 a. m. to 7 p. m., or eleven hours continuously. The ballots have to be counted and the result recorded before the Inspectors separate. This is requiring an enormous labor of the Inspectors. Many of the Inspectors, however honest, have not the qualifications to do this work expeditiously, or to do it at all. In Massachusetts such a thing as a fraudulent election is not known. In that State the receiving of the ballots and the counting thereof go on at the same time. At the end of each hour the ballots are counted by persons appointed for the purpose, and, in one hour after the polls are closed, the result is made known. The ballots are counted and read, not classified and then counted; each name on each ticket is examined, and there is no such thing known as fraud, mistake, or miscounting. Can not the Legislature of Illinois provide that, in addition to the Inspections of Election, there shall be appointed in each precinct two persons who shall count the votes as fast as they are polled, and do so openly in the presence of witnesses, and with such publicity that fraud shall be impossible, and such disgraceful mistakes and miscounting as have been exposed in St. Louis shall be prevented?

MR. LO AND HIS FUTURE PROSPECTS.

The report of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs puts down the number of Indians in the United States and Territories, excluding those in Alaska, at 300,000, and it classifies them as civilized, 97,000; semi-civilized, 125,000; savage, 78,000. The first of these classes include those tribes and consolidated fragments of tribes which originally lived in the Atlantic States, and have been assigned permanent homes in the Indian Territory. Among these there has been a great improvement; they have their Governments,—Executive, Legislative, and Judicial, and these Governments are ably and thoroughly administered. Among these people education is supported, and schools with native teachers flourish. Their success, it would seem, is greatly due to the exclusion of the white race, and to the development of progress by native teachers. The next classification embraces the many tribes and parts of tribes that have abandoned nomadic habits and are living upon reservations, and are supported by Government annuities. These have been mainly Christianized; a large number have their settlements within the limits of the States, and, though their habits are good, they are gradually decreasing in numbers. It also includes a number of tribes that have, within a comparatively short time, abandoned the savage life, and have settled down upon reservations, and are beginning the somewhat difficult life of working at agriculture and other employments. These latter tribes have not advanced far enough to be able to take care of themselves, and the intercourse with the whites has not been productive of much good to their habits, morals, or industry.

The tribes which are now considered savage number about one-fourth of the whole Indian population. They are mainly composed of tribes which were transferred to our jurisdiction by the acquisition of Texas and the Mexican States. These bands prefer their wild state, and refuse to understand why civilization is better than barbarism. They have confidence in their ability to maintain their contest with the white race, and at all events prefer the risks of extermination to submission. All efforts to tame them have failed. It is possible that, after they shall have been reduced in numbers by the unequal contest, the remainder of them will accept the inevitable, will settle down upon reservations, but it is more likely that they will be gradually exterminated by wars among themselves and by the bullet and whiskey of the ever-advancing Anglo-Saxon.

THE RUBINSTEIN CONCERTS.

The pleasant season of Rubinstein concerts closed yesterday afternoon with a matinee performance, which drew the first good audience of the week, and this fact suggests an interesting question: namely, whether the smallness of attendance during the week has been due to a lack of musical taste in the city or to the scale of admission prices adopted by the management. Of one thing there can be no doubt. The concerts have been the best ever given here of their kind, and, considered with regard to concerts in general, there have been none at all comparable with them except the Thomas orchestral concerts. It is rather a remarkable coincidence that the weak spot in each has been the vocal adjuncts. No such pianist as Rubinstein, no such violinist as Wieniawski, has ever appeared here. These two artists stand at the head of their profession, and one of them, Rubinstein, is among the first of living composers, and a man who may yet be destined to accomplish a revolution in music as marked as that which is already beginning to result from Wagner's innovations. The music which they have furnished has been of the highest order, and much of it new to concert-goers, as it has embraced selections from Bach, Handel, Mozart, Mendelssohn, and other composers, which are rarely performed, owing to their numerous difficulties and exacting demands upon players. In addition to this, Rubinstein has given us glimpses of the Sclavonian music, in one sonata and minor works of his own composition, which are thoroughly original and possess none of the characteristics of modern European music. This music of itself was a revelation for which every musician will be profoundly thankful. It is the germ, perhaps, of a great school of music in the future, which will be rich not only in new musical ideas but new forms of expressing them. Lastly, both Rubinstein and Wieniawski have done a great work for lesser players, both in setting before them the true conceptions of the spirit of the great composers' works, and the proper artistic manner of reading them. In all these respects, there is no room left for fault-finding with the manager. He has furnished all and more than he announced, and in so doing has given concert-goers a genuine surprise, as this is not the usual practice of musical managers. Notwithstanding all this, the audiences have been small, and, however gratifying it may be to the artists to feel that the major part of their audience appreciates them, two artists like Rubinstein and Wieniawski, who have always lived in a musical atmosphere and have been accustomed to play to crowded houses in the musical capitals of Europe, where a person was fortunate who applied weeks in advance and secured a ticket, must have been chagrined to find themselves playing to an audience night after night, which filled two-thirds, perhaps, of a small theatre, one portion of which was composed of eager and appreciative listeners, another of indifferent auditors, and the remainder of boors, who seemed to take a special delight in annoying both artists and auditors with their rudeness and noise. The principal reason for this smallness of attendance is undoubtedly due to the mistake of the manager in fixing the prices too high. The same mistake was made recently in the Patti-Mario concerts, where the prices were the same, although the latter furnished only musical swash compared with these. Two dollars and two and a half, however, is an extremely high price for any entertainment in these stringent times. If the gallery had been placed at one dollar, which would have kept out many of the boors, and the rest of the house at one dollar and a half and two dollars, the attendance would undoubtedly have been very large, and would have paid the managers a handsome profit. The European standard of admission to a Rubinstein concert, where Rubinstein plays alone, is four dollars; but it is utterly useless to base prices here on this standard. The country is flooded with amateur, charity, church, and other home concerts, which present irresistible claims upon the public, and from which Europe is happily free. People in the capitals of Europe go to hear music for the sake of music, and pay for it. Here the pocket-book is taxed for all sorts of barnacles fastened upon music. In Europe, the concert-going class is a wealthy class. The poorer people have music at a price which they can afford to pay and get a good article for their money. The poorer class here has no such opportunities. The wealthy class is not wealthy enough to pay European prices, or even prices based upon them, especially in these days of high taxes and constant demands upon the purse. There are some happy, philosophical people among concert-goers, however, who manage to surmount the difficulty by skipping all minor entertainments, thereby skipping more or less of annoyance, and attending only the very best performances, thereby making their amusement expenses no larger for the season, while they have received more satisfaction than those people who waste their money on every show that comes along, because the prices are cheap, and in reality spend more money in a season, and have less to show for it, than those who, for instance, have selected from the season's amusements the Thomas concerts, the Rubinstein concerts, and the Lucca opera season, and have resolved to spend no money on other entertainments. This practice holds good on the general principle that it is always better to pay a high price for a good article than to buy inferior stuff simply because it is cheap. There are few people, however, so constituted as to be able to resist cheaper and more showy entertainments, and there is a considerable class which has not yet been educated up to the standard of the best music. These must have their entertainments. Managers should remember, therefore, that musical intelligence and culture are not so general here as in Europe, and that they have no special public to appeal to but a mixed one, which embraces all degrees of musical intelligence, and, as a rule, possesses moderate means. Should Mr. Gran decide to return here before his season closes, as we sincerely hope that he will, he will find that, by a reduction of one-third or one-fourth in the prices of admission, he will be enabled to draw large houses, and make good any deficit which may have occurred during the present season.

It would be unjust to the artists, who have done so much to entertain their auditors, to bid them farewell without allusion to a certain class of boors, who on almost every evening have disturbed these concerts, and, on three occasions, have caused Rubinstein to stop in the midst of his playing, because it was simply impossible for him to proceed. Talking, hooting, whistling, slamming of doors, and heavy tramping in the gallery, while the artists were upon the stage, have been the rule. These demonstrations have not been confined to the audience. Hack and bus drivers in the lobbies, and careless employes of the house have added to the din. It has been a mortifying and disgraceful exhibition of ill-manners, and its repetition will injure the theatre for musical purposes, and keep musical people away from it. The managers should carefully instruct their own employes, and, if they cannot keep the gallery disturbers quiet in any other way, then keep a policeman in the gallery for that purpose, and to prevent interlopers from making disturbances in the lobbies.

THE CALIFORNIA GHOST.

As the Christmas holidays approach, we must get ourselves in readiness for the usual number of witches, and ghouls, and spooks that come popping up through the trap-doors of holiday literature. The January magazines will be filled with ghost-stories, and the weekly and Sunday newspapers will team with recitals calculated to freeze the young blood of the nurseries. Fairyland and spirit-land will open wide their gates, and amateur mediums will contribute their visions and speculations to the common store of impossibilities. We apprehend, however, that the Christmas writers will find it difficult to produce a fancy ghost-story that will compare in wonder with a genuine one that comes from the Pacific Coast. Here is a ghost that appears with his credentials. He not only showed himself to one person, but conversed in the hearing of others. He was a persistent spirit, and hovered about for nearly a week. He appeared to his little child named Agnes McDonough,—a good girl, who had been recently confirmed in the Catholic church, and who dutifully called in the priest to take a professional view of the apparition. Rev. Father Monagne listened to the conversations between the child and her deceased father, suggested the questions she should ask, noted the answers, and reported the whole case to the Catholic Guardian, Bishop O'Connell, of Marysville. The Bishop himself is puzzled. He has finally accepted the apparition, under the strong evidence that has been submitted to him, as a means for "combatting the materialistic tendency of so-called scientific men;" but, at the same time, he advises the Catholics to "go slow," to "put on the brakes," and to "listen to the never-erring voice of the Church."

The California ghost evidently fared better than the majority of the inhabitants of Poker Flat and Red Gulch, for he reported himself from Purgatory. His revelations concerning the undiscovered country are interesting. He had been in Purgatory six years, and knew a good deal about it. The boundary of this favorite stopping-place is rather indefinitely given as next to Heaven, though the ghost was ignorant as to whether it was one of the planets or one of the fixed stars. The relative location of Purgatory as to the earth was more definitely determined. The deceased Mr. McDonough said that it was "only five minutes' distant." The inference is that Purgatory is a good deal nearer earth than Heaven, and that it is considerably easier for good Catholics to reach it. The purgatorial treatment, as described by Mr. McDonough's ghost, is rather obscure. He says that the punishment is "by fire," but subsequently admits that his body is in the grave, and the soul and body are completely separated after death. He fails to explain, however, how the soul, being a thing immaterial, is punished, and purged, and purified by fire, though he insists that the aspect of Purgatory is that of "light and smoke." His account of the treatment of the deceased is not unlike that in Byron's "Last Judgment." He describes the Lord on the judgment-seat, with the Savior at his side, and two rows of white angels behind them. The angels have wings, according to the late Mr. McDonough, and, instead of standing, keep up a fluttering motion which enables them to retain a prominent position when they like. In fact, this direct account from spirit-land tallies very evenly with popular idea as gleamed from the old painters, whose angels Kaulbach so much despises. Mr. McDonough is a conservative and law-abiding ghost. He says that the only rescue from Purgatory is to be found in masses and prayers on earth, and expresses his conviction, after six years' personal experience, that masses are a trifle more efficacious than prayers.

The late Mr. McDonough is also a practical kind of ghost. He wastes no time in unearthly demonstrations, utters no terrifying sounds, and attempts no blackmailing abuse. He does not seek revenge for murder, and has no desire to straighten out complicated wills. He is a very straightforward ghost. He exhibited a disposition to do whatever he could for the future prospects of his friends on earth. He didn't know whether Pius IX. would triumph over his enemies or not, but was sure that the Catholic religion is the only true religion. Though a spirit himself, the late Mr. McDonough was entirely unprejudiced, and, when questioned in regard to Spiritualism, he replied: "It's all nonsense." Whether this can be construed against the reality of Mr. McDonough's unreal appearance or not, it must be admitted that the expression was one of blunt, impartial, and disinterested frankness. His visit to his daughter was made just prior to his going to Heaven, having served out his time in Purgatory. He had already announced his departure at 1½ o'clock, and, while the priest was watching the clock in one room, little Agnes screamed out at the precise moment, and afterwards declared that she saw the angel come and take her father's ghost away.

The California ghost was a good, orthodox, Catholic ghost. It may strike some irreverent unbelievers that he came in the particular interest of sectarianism. But, even if this is so, he is a decided improvement upon the old traditional ghost, who comes with the express purpose of scaring people, who assumes a shroud and a horrid skull, who stumbles around in dark cellars, or tramps his ghost-like tread in deserted garrets, and who serves no ascertainable purpose. If we are to have ghosts, let us have the California species rather than the Cock-Lane variety.

THE MORAL OF A PARIS MURDER.

An interesting murder trial has just been concluded in Paris, which presents some features which could not be found out of France. The murderer's name is Celestin Henri Lagorce, a dull, beardless and characterless youth, member of an old and respectable family of Limoges. As he was not a bright youth in school, he was placed in a wholesale draper's establishment where he was employed at the time of the murder. He had studied chemistry to some purpose, and conceived an idea that some day he would be able to find a fortune in the crucible. The use to which he eventually put his chemical knowledge, however, has made his misfortune. One day, Lagorce saw in, a cafe in the Rue Vivienne, a handsome watch and chain and some valuable jewelry on the person of one Marie Harter, known on the Boulevards as *la Femme au Perroquet*, and he at once conceived the plan of murdering her in order to secure her effects. To this end, he followed her one night, accosted her, and went with her to her lodgings. In the night, one of the tenants, in the rooms below, heard a cry and the noise of some one falling, and saw Lagorce stealing down stairs with his shoes in his hands. The *concierge* was told these facts in the morning, and about noon entered the premises, and found Marie's corpse on the floor, resting against a sofa, and the parrot, from which she had derived her professional name, dead in its cage. The rings were left on her fingers and the ear-rings in her ears to suggest the idea of suicide, but her watch and money were gone. The next day, by means of a forged passport, he managed to escape, but as the document was signed and engrossed by the same hand, a description of him was taken, which was afterwards given to the police and led to his arrest. An apparatus for making prussic acid was found in his house, which he claimed he had constructed with reference to committing suicide, and a phial of the poison was found in his pockets. He admitted having the poison with him in Marie's apartments, and explained that she had mistaken it for a scent-bottle, and that the smelling of it had caused her death. The recovery of the watch and other valuables from pawn did not corroborate this statement, however, and he then confessed that he placed the phial under Marie's nose, only intending to render her insensible. Against this yarn was offset the dead parrot in the cage, whereupon Lagorce confessed that, while Marie went out to answer the door-bell, he experimented with the poison on the parrot, and killed it, but he did not suppose that what would kill the parrot would kill the parrot's mistress. At last, finding that the case was made out against him, his counsel made a bold plea of his family respectability. Lagorce, the father, when called upon to testify as to his son's habits, instructed the Court that it was no offence to rob and murder "one of those women who devour the substance of young men of family," while Madame Lagorce deemed it impossible that the Court would disgrace an honorable family for the sake of a miserable social outcast. Several of the witnesses thought that a capital conviction would cause great scandal at Limoges. The public prosecutor made a strong and eloquent summing up against the prisoner, but its effect was destroyed by the counsel for the defence, who appealed to the jury to protect young men of family from female harpies. The result was that the jury returned a negative verdict on the charge of murder, but an affirmative one on the charge of robbery, for which the Court sentenced Lagorce to ten years' penal servitude and 100 francs fine, and all parties were satisfied—at least, all the living parties.

The inception and the execution of the deed, the points of the trial, and the decision of the Court, are peculiarly Parisian. The affair not only shows the small value set upon the lives of women of the class of Marie Harter, but also the nice distinctions which gentlemanly criminals and their families make as to what constitutes disgrace. It would have produced a scandal in the Lagorce family to have convicted Lagorce junior of the crime of murdering a social outcast, but simply to rob one of these outcasts and be sentenced to ten years' penal servitude, casts no stain on the family escutcheon. Murder is vulgar, but robbery, accompanied by lust, is gentlemanly. A conviction for the poisoning of a woman of the town would be a disgrace to an old and wealthy family, but the mere robbery of one of this class does not affect the family honor and pride. Such is the moral of the Lagorce murder trial, and such morality, it is evident, could not be found outside of Paris.

Locusts in Algeria.

A communication from Agra, dated the 19th ult., says: "The crops in the Agra district were in such splendid condition that the cultivators were looking forward to a good harvest and a profitable out-turn. In a few short hours their hopes have been blighted, and zemidars and ryots are in the depth of despair. A dense cloud of locusts came up from the south, on Saturday last, and, after hovering in the air for some time over the city, they suddenly descended, and, covering the surface of the earth, of the trees, and of every particle of vegetation, they commenced their work of destruction, choosing more especially, as their most choice morsels, the youngest and most delicate leaves of trees, the choicest and most valuable of plants, and, what is more sad than all, devouring the green ears of grain just beginning to ripen. So thick was the cloud of locusts that the sun was completely hidden, and a partial darkness prevailed, as though the sun was eclipsed. The natives used all endeavors to dislodge the unwelcome visitors, but all endeavors failed. They remained during the whole of Saturday night, part of Sunday morning, and then started in a northerly direction. The magnificent grove of trees near the club has been utterly denuded of leaves, the grass has been cropped short, and whole gardens have been completely destroyed. Near a village called Uchennarra, on the Bhurtpore-road, eighteen miles from Agra, the crops have been completely ruined, and such has been the damage done in other parts of the Agra district, that it is estimated that the out-turn will be fifty per cent less than was expected before the locusts arrived. In this sublunary sphere it often happens that evils which are the causes of unmitigated sufferings to some of God's creatures, cause joy and delight to others. The crows, kites, sparrows, and hawks banqueted and feasted in a princely manner during the stay of the locusts, and many of the natives of the city captured them in basketsful, and afterward feasted on them. I am informed they make capital curry, and are very similar in flavor to prawns."

NICKNAMES.

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It is a somewhat remarkable fact in the history of the late political contest, that, notwithstanding its bitterness, so few nicknames were used. The London *Saturday Review*, in an article upon this class of words, expresses the opinion that their moral influence has never been sufficiently considered by philosophers. It is, indeed, no easy thing to estimate the force and influence of these ingenious appellations. In politics, it has long been observed that no orator can compare for a moment in effect with him who can give apt and telling nicknames. Brevity is the soul of wit, and of all eloquence a nickname is the most concise and irresistible. It is a terse, pointed, short-hand mode of reasoning, condensing a volume of meaning into an epithet, and is especially popular in these days of steam and electric telegraphs, because it saves the trouble of thinking. There is a deep instinct in man which prompts him, when engaged in any controversy, whether of tongue or pen, to assume to himself some honorable name which begs the whole matter in dispute, and at the same time to fasten on his adversary a name which shall render him ridiculous, odious, or contemptible. By facts and logic you may command the assent of the few; but by nicknames you may enlist the passions of the million on your side. Who can doubt that, when in the English civil wars, the Parliamentary party styled themselves "the Godly" and their opponents "the Malignants," the question at issue, wherever entrance could be gained for these words, was already decided? Or who doubts that the odious name, "Copperheads," which was so early in our late civil war affixed to the Northern sympathizers with the South, had an incalculable influence in gagging their mouths and in preventing their numbers from multiplying?

There is no man so insignificant that he may not blast the reputation of another by fastening upon him an odious or ludicrous nickname. Even the most shining character may thus be dragged down by the very reptiles of the race to the depths of infamy. A parrot may be taught to call names, and, if you have a spite against your neighbor, may be made to give him a deal of annoyance, without much wit either in the employer or the puppet. Hotspur would have had a *starling* taught to speak nothing but Mortimer in the ears of his enemy. Who could dissociate with the name of Van Buren the idea of craft or cunning, after he had become known as the "Kinderhook Fox," or who ever looked up with awe or respect to President Tyler as the Chief Magistrate of the nation, after he had been politically baptized as "His Accidency?" Who can tell how far Scott's prospects for the Presidency were damaged by the contemptuous nickname of "Oil Fuss and Feathers,"—especially after he had nearly signed his own political death-warrant by that fatal allusion to "a hasty plate of soup," which convulsed the nation with laughter from the St. Croix to the Rio Grande? The hero of Chippewa found it hard to breast the torrent of ridicule which this derisive title brought down upon him. It would have been easier far to stand up against the iron shock of the battle-field. Who, again, has forgotten how the would-be naval bard of America, "The-sun-has-gone-down-with-his-battle-stained-eye Patten,"—was "damned to everlasting fame" by a verbal tin-pail attached to his name in the form of one of his own verses? "I have heard an eminent character boast," says Hazlitt, "that he did more to produce the war with Bonaparte by nicknaming him *The Corsican*, than all the state papers and documents on the subject put together." Give a dog a bad name, says the proverb, and you hang him. It was only necessary to nickname Burke *The Dinner-Bell* to make even *his* rising to speak a signal for a general emptying of the house.

A nickname is the most stinging of all species of satire, because it gives no chance of reply. Attack a man with specific, point-blank charges, and he can meet and repel them; but a nickname baffles reply by its very vagueness; it presents no tangible or definite idea to the mind, no horn of a dilemma with which the victim can grapple. The very attempt to defend himself only renders him the more ridiculous; it looks like raising an ocean to drown a fly, or discharging a cannon at a wasp, to meet a petty gibe with formal testimony or elaborate argument. Or, if your defence is listened to without jeers, it avails you nothing. It has no effect,—does not tell,—excites no sensation. The laugh is against you, and all your protests come like the physician's prescription of the funeral, too late.

The significance of nicknames is strikingly illustrated by the fact that, as the *Review* suggests, you cannot properly hate a man of different opinions from your own till you have labelled him with some unpleasant epithet. In theological debates, a heretic may be defined as a man with a nickname. Till we have succeeded in fastening a name upon him, he is confounded among the general mass of the orthodox; his peculiarities are presumably not sufficient to constitute him into a separate species. But let the name come to us by a flash of inspiration, and how it sticks to the victim through his whole life! That prince of polemics, Cobbett, was a masterly inventor of nicknames, and some of his felicitous epithets will not be forgotten for many years to come. Among the words and phrases by which he stuck his claws into his enemies were "the pink-nosed Liverpool," "the unbaptized, buttonless blackguards" (applied to the Quakers), and "Prosperity Robinson." The nickname, "Old Glory," given by him, stuck for life to Sir Francis Burdett, his former patron and life-long creditor; "Eolus Canning" provoked unextinguishable laughter among high and low; and it is said that of all the devices to annoy the brilliant but vain Lord Erskine, none was more teasing than being constantly addressed by his second title of "Baron *Clackmannon*."

An account of the ways in which nicknames are suggested would fill a volume. One of the commonest is by a glaring contradiction between a man's name and his character,—when he is ridiculed as sailing under false colors, or claiming a merit which does not belong to him. Thus Jerome, one of the Fathers of the Church, being engaged in controversy with one Vigilantius, i. e., "the Watchful," about certain vigils which the latter opposed, stigmatized him as "Dormitantius," or "the Sleeper." But more frequently the nickname is suggested by the real name where there is no such antagonism between them,—where the latter, as it is, or by a slight change, can be made to contain a confession of the ignorance or folly of the bearer. What can be happier in this way than the "Brand of Hell," applied to Pope Hildebrand,—the title of "Slanders," affixed by Fuller to Sanders, the foul-mouthed libeller of Queen Elizabeth,—the "Vanity" and "Sterility," which Baxter coined from their names of Vane and Sterry,—and the term "Sweepnet," which that skilful master of the passions, Cicero, gave to the infamous Praetor of Sicily, whose name, Verres, was prophetic of his *sweeping* the province,—declaring that others might be partial to the *jus verrinum*, which might mean verrine law or boar sauce, but not he?

There is probably no country, unless it be our own, in which nicknames have flourished more than in England. Every party there has had its watchwords by which to rally its members, or to set on its own bandogs to worry and tear those of another faction; and what is quite extraordinary is, that many of the names of political parties and religious sects were originally nicknames given in the bitterest scorn and party hate, yet ultimately accepted by the party themselves. Thus "Tory" originally meant an Irish free-booting bog-trotter, and "Whig" is derived from the Scotch name for sour milk, which was supposed to aptly characterize the Republicans. The German "Lutherans," the "Methodists," the "Capuchin" monks, "the Beggars," of Holland, were all derisively named

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—This is a jolly sort of an item from the New York *Herald*: "The New Haven Railway Company have been experimenting with a new safety switch, which is thus described: The lever of the switch is closed in a small house or sentry-box, the door of which is locked. When the switchman leaves the house and opens the switch, he closes the door of the house or box, from the outside, and cannot make his exit till, by shutting the switch, he thereby opens the door of the box. There is no chance a train coming along while the switchman is open he must make his escape from the train to avoid the probability of being killed himself. He cannot make his escape without closing the switch. Therefore, every time a switchman opens a switch he is bound under penalty of death to have it closed before any train comes along. One man can attend to only six switches."

An English Dinner.

London Correspondence of the Cincinnati Gazette.

The true London dinner consists of from 20 courses, the half of which are vegetables, meats, fish, fowls, and game, brased or roasted, interpolated with *patties*, soups, and entrees. It follows a vista of sullen puddings and sweets, cakes, custards, and mixed messes, and ends with consumption points toward death as the hour of midnight. And still the ponderous feast goes not over. There remains a table of green and over nourished fruits, insidious salves of dessert with foreign flavor, and that inevitable, fatal comestible, cheese, the goal of every British dinner, and which every look and oder are suggestions of death —a Stilton cheese! But the London dinner is not mostly a thing of eating. After all has been said, it is an affair to be drank rather than masticated, its succeeding courses appearing to be introduced mainly for the object of drinking the palate for a fresh flavor of wine. A fine Hock is placed beside the plate of soup, and another but finely flavored English *oysters* that form the meal. Sauterne or Moselle succeeds the Hock, with the fish that follows the oysters. Moselle and Sauterne give place to the substantial sherry and Hungarians of the third course. The sherry is carried through with a red Burgundy to accompany the game, and this yields to the heavy roast of England, which in its turn is succeeded by the first shock of appetite that breaks the first shock of appetite in the process of dining. Chateau Yquem or some other Tokay attends the fowl that replaces the roast. Game is introduced, with clared and other wines. A succeeding dish is supported by a glass of Madeira. The Madeira is then, in succession, with a Greek wine; and a bottle of Madeira is then, in succession, with a Greek wine; and a bottle of Madeira is then, in succession, with a Greek wine; and a bottle of

dates by their position. Even the "Premier," or "Prime Minister," of the highest dignity, was at first a title given in pure mockery,—the sixteenth it was applied being Sir Robert Walpole, as seen by the following words spoken in the House of Commons in 1741, during invested me with a kind of dignity, and styled me a Prime Minister (the opposition) imputo to me an unjust abuse of the chimerical authority which only created and conferred." Among the orable English nicknames, those of Rump," applied to the Long Parliament time of Charles II., —that of "Jemmy Twitchaken from the chief of Macheath's "The Beggar's Opera," and applied to Sandwich, sticking to him all his life through —and that of "Dizzy," into which have condensed the name of the great M. P.,—will readily suggest themselves to reader. Among American political nicknames are many which are not remarkably pointed others, like "Old Bullion" and "Old Hickory" are steeped in "the very brine of humor." sum up a character as if by inspiration.

The annoyance which may be given to even by an apparently meaningless name which sticks to him wherever he goes, illustrated by a story told by Haslitt in "Conversations with Northcote," the pale village baker got, he knew not how, the name "Tyddy-doll." He was teased and worried till it almost drove him crazy. The boys called it after him in the streets, and poked sticks into his shop-windows; the parrots whistled his name as he passed their cages, and even soldiers took it up (for the place was a garrison), and marched to parade, keeping time with their feet, and singing to *Tyddy-doll, Tyddy-doll*, as they passed by his door. He flew out upon them at the door with inexting uishable fury, was thrown down and rolled in the mire, and got up in an agony of rage, his clothes drabbled and bespattered with mud, respectable and friendly gentleman in the neighborhood, who pitied his weakness, called him into his house one day, and remonstrated with him on the subject. He advised him to take no notice of his persecutors. "What," said he, "does it signify? Suppose they do call you *Tyddy-doll*? What harm is there in that?" "There—there it is!" burst forth the infuriated baker; "you've called me so yourself. You called me in on purpose to insult me!" And, saying this, he vented his rage in a torrent of abusive epithets, and rushed out of the house in a tempest of passion.

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RESERVE AND GUARANTEE.

I have just read this interesting reminiscence of the great French orator, Berryer. I must preface it with a brief explanation. General Bugeaud was a warm supporter of Louis Philippe's Government from the outset, and, had he been allowed to have his way on the morning of the 24th of February, 1848, the Orleans family would at this hour be on the French throne. It was natural that, when the Government had arrested the Duchess de Berry, it should wish to confide command of her prison to an officer in whom implicit confidence was placed. The Legitimist party, therefore, hated him intensely, and never spoke of him except as "the Duchess de Berry's jailor." The epithet galled General Bugeaud; so, when a deputy named Dulong, one day shouted to him as he spoke: "Silence, you are but the Duchess de Berry's jailor!" the General called him out. Bugeaud was, however, extremely conciliatory, and a duel might have been avoided had not political considerations been mixed up with the matter and allowed to sway individual opinions. You remember how these causes led to the duel between Graves and Gilley. As soon as the signal to fire was given, Bugeaud discharged his pistol. Dulong fell a corpse; the ball had struck him in the centre of the forehead, and had buried itself in the back of his skull, after traversing the brain. Public excitement ran high. Bugeaud became the most unpopular man in France. He was called by everybody "Dulong's assassin." General Bugeaud hated Berryer. While the Government was hunting the Duchess de Berry, he (Berryer) was arrested in Brittany for one of her accomplices in the insurrection which she had insanely attempted to raise. The truth is, Berryer had gone to Brittany to dissuade the Duchess from embarking in so wild a venture, and to beseech her to leave France. Honor forbade him from confessing the truth at that time. One day, while Berryer was attacting Louis Philippe's Government with characteristic vehemence, Bugeaud stood in front of his seat and bawled out to Berryer: "This is no place for you!" Berryer paused a moment, drew himself up to his full height, and said in a tone of thunder: "The question is not who is in place, or who is out of place here; or (Berryer pointed to Dulong's vacant seat) how men should be put out of here!" The flashing eyes, the lips curled in scorn, the majestic gesture, the thundering voice, sent a thrill of horror and indignation through the Chamber of Deputies. Bugeaud sank silently into his seat, and one of Berryer's most violent political opponents said to him: "You are lugubriously sublime!"

AN ACTRESS' "CHARM."

Mlle. Sarah Bernhardt, after a brilliant career at the Odeon, has been engaged at the French Comedy. Her first appearance attracted "everybody" (you know there are in all large cities some 1,500 people who are "everybody"—in their opinion), partly because she is a famous what-you-may-call-'em, partly because she is pretty (though fearfully lean), partly because she has been successful at the Odeon, partly because it was her first appearance in the French Comedy (people like to be "in at the death," which first appearances often are), and partly because people wished to see how she played *Mlle. de Belle Isle*, —a part in which Mlle. Mars, Mlle. Plessy, and Mlle. Madeleine Brohan had shone with such brilliant beams that contemporaries' eyes are still dazzled by them. Mlle. Sarah Bernhardt did not command the triumph she expected. Like most actresses, she is superstitious, and the "charm" in which she has confidence as assuring her good, and averting bad luck from her, is the skull of a famous girl of the Latin Quarter, who was swept from life, in full youth and full beauty, by galloping consumption. The poor waif's deathbed was the hospital's common one; her grave was the dissecting-table, where limb was hacked from limb, amid the jibes of coarse medical students, most of whom had been intimate with her; and her bones were parted among them, as souvenirs of the beautiful, graceful, merry, giddy girl, who had thrown away her life here. How Mlle. Sarah Bernhardt got possession of the poor child's skull, I don't know; but she has it, and she prizes it. It is always on her dressing-room table, where it is turned to base uses; the mouth is used as a card-basket. The skull is scribbled over with maxims and other sententious sentences, for the most part valuable as being in the autograph of eminent play-writers.

AN INGENIOUS THIEF.

A few days since the general servant of a gentleman here entered, "like Niobe, all tears," his wife's chamber, sobbing, "Oh, Madam! oh, Madam!" "What is the matter, Francoise?" "Madam, I have stuck a fork into my finger." "Oh that's nothing, Francoise; you will not feel it to-morrow." "I should not be afraid, Madam, if I was sure the fork was silver." "You may, then, be perfectly easy; the fork *is*; all our forks are silver." "Oh! then I don't feel alarmed; but I was dreadfully frightened, for I thought the fork was plated." The next day Francoise disappeared, taking all the forks with her. FOSCOLO.

JUDGE NOT.

When the fury-fiend were raging,
Up and down, all through the West,
And heaped that mighty city,
Wicked city at the best,

Till strong men grew weak and trembled,
And stern faces pallid grew,
As along the burdened wires,
The appalling knowledge flew.

Then the people sat in judgment,
Up and down, all through the East,
And they passed the solemn verdict,
Both the people and the priest.

This they said, in measured sentence,
With clean hands and eyes upturned:
"You were wicked, O Chicago,
Very wicked; hence you burned."

Like the worthies in the furnace,
They were God's especial care;
They had passed the fiery tempest,
And no smell of fire was there.

Hark! what news is that so startling,
Which is flashed along the wire,
That it make the strong face pallid?
"Mighty Boston is on fire!"

That old, Puritanic city,
Home of wealth, and ease, and pride,
Home of science, arts, and letters,
And a thousand things beside;

City that we all take pride in;
But it still must be confessed,
That this proud old Eastern city's
Somewhat wicked at the best.

Then the people sit in judgment,
Up and down, all through the East,
And they pass this gracious verdict,
Both the people and the priest:

This they say in cheerful cadence,
And with eyes that look above:
"It is thus that God doth chasten
Every subject of His love."

Shall we never learn the lesson,
Up and down through East and West,
That we all, alas! are sinners,
Wretched sinners at the best?

That we all are albeas, rebels;
That our righteousness is dross;
That the only way to Heaven
Is by clinging to the Cross?

That the great and holy Giver
Lets His plenteous mercies fall,
Fall alike on saint and sinner,
Fall alike on one and all?

Shall we never throw love's mantle
O'er our fellows' sins, and thus
Pass such judgments as we'll wish for
When they're meted out to us?

God is love and God is mercy,
But He sometimes lifts His rod;
And the lesson that it teaches
Is, Be still; know I am God.

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READING, Mich., Nov. 21, 1872.

—It is said of General ——, that in battle, he always followed his nose; but then he was liable to colds, and his nose was frequently apt to run.

—The Northern Presbyterian Church is known as the "Presbyterian Church in the United States of America," and the Southern Presbyterian Church is the "Presbyterian Church in the United States," with America left out. What was the Reform Dutch Church now calls itself the "Reform Church in America," and what was the German Reform Church, is the "Reformed Church in the United States."

—At length it is proved that a man has more vanity than a woman. This is the way that it came to pass: A curious investigator watched while a thousand men passed a looking-glass used as a sign on the sidewalk in Broadway. The result of his observation showed that nine hundred and ninety-nine men glanced complacently at their image as they passed. The other man was blind. Four hundred and fifty-two women passed during the same hour and a half, and none of them looked in the mirror,—all of them being engaged intently examining each other's appearance and dress.

PARIS.

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From Our Own Correspondent.

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ROSSINI.

The Bellini sleeps in a Paris burying-ground. The Italians' made noisy demonstrations after his death of their resolution to bury him in Santa Croce (the Westminster Abbey of Italy), but they all ended, as they began, in noise,—a supreme weakness of those who speak the "soft Italian Latin." Rossini's widow, they say, was the obstacle to the gratification of the Italians' wish. She made absurd conditions precedent to his removal, and, when these were accepted, she insisted on still absurder conditions. Being a woman, a French woman, a widow, and an ex-opera songstress, she was impenetrable to reasoning. Time flew away, hunting memory and bringing new cares; so Rossini was left in Pere la Chaise. There he is likely to remain. His widow has built a tinsel and gingerbread mausoleum, with vaults beneath, and thither his old friends went the other day, with crowns of yellow flowers, to commemorate the fourth anniversary of his death. I think it is to be regretted that he is not buried in his native air. During the long, mournful half-century of his sheldom, Italy's only glory was its composers, and its singers. They revealed to the world the ancient genius, which lingered under all the fetters and chains of Austria, and kept alive faith in Italy's future in many a breast. Rossini himself had no love for his native land. He loved best the place where company was gayest, giddiest, most careless. He cared for nobody, for nothing; all he asked of earth was good victuals, and plenty of them, and to be amused. And yet, as I write, I fear I wrong Rossini, for he left munificent and judicious legacies to his native town, and to places en-whose hope made all life, even its clouds, wear rosy hue. It was a weakness of Rossini to conceal his kindness under the giggler's mask. Perhaps it was the armor by which he protected himself from fools who are continually annoying eminent men with their impertinence or their folly.

TO BE REBUILT.

Parisians have heard with gratification that the Tuileries Palace is to be rebuilt, and on the same design as the burnt edifice. The City Hall is likewise to be rebuilt; but there is angry grumbling over the inscription which is to be placed on the new building. The Radicals, who are Communards at heart, wish an inscription which shall only mention the City Hall's destruction by fire, without hint of the hands which applied the torch. All the other members of the Municipal Council wish to put the scoundrels in the penitentiary for felons guilty of arson.

ANIMALCULA IN WHEAT.

The French farmers in Lower Normandy have complained a good deal of smut in wheat this year, and which is not to be confounded with rust (*carie*), or with the other sort of smut called here charbon, which, as well as rust (*carie*), is produced by parasitical animals. The former smut (*nielle*) is caused by very singular animalcula, which have great analogy to the little animalcula frequently seen in vinegar. These animalcula are found in two different states in wheat—as larvæ, or grubs, and as adult worms; but the grain which contains them is always completely modified in appearance, and consists of a small, round, hard, black husk, of a black-ish color, filled with a white substance formed of microscopic threads, which are nothing but dried, stiff animalcula. If they be placed in water, they soon become animated and wriggle with great vigor. If the wheat be old, some time (hours or days) elapse before they become animated; but when were these animalcula introduced into the grain of wheat? It has long been demonstrated that the transmission takes place in the ground, where smutted grains infect sound grains. While the sound grains are germinating, the smutted grains soften and rot, and the grubs of animalcula in them are reanimated in time by the humid soil. They then pierce the envelope which imprisons them, and go to the sound grains, guided by that instinct implanted for self-preservation in them. They effect a lodging in the straw, and near the point of the growing stem, where they remain until the ear be formed. The ear, during its early formation, is soft and pulpy, and the animalcula easily enter it. It has been demonstrated that smut cannot be produced in wheat when the leaves which form the wheat-flower have been well formed, and the bifid pistil has made its appearance. The ear has by this time become too thick for the animalcula to pierce. As soon as the grubs have penetrated the soft, pulpy flower, they grow rapidly. The husk swells into an excrescence, which does not equal the size of the ordinary grain. The grubs then promptly attain the adult growth; the sexes become distinct; the females lay a great many eggs, which soon put forth grubs. About the epoch of the maturity of the wheat, the parent animalcula die, and their offspring dry up in the cavity (inside the grain of wheat) where they were born. Smutted wheat is not a normal grain which has undergone change; it is really a pair. The grain does not exist even in a rudimentary state. Once the animalcula enter the embryo husk. The animalcula produce in all its parts an action which changes their development and structure. The female animalcula lay between 1,500 and 1,500 eggs, and each grain contains, on an average, between 8,000 and 10,000 grubs. The plants in-it abnormal condition. The first blades lose color, turn yellow, often wither or become shrivelled; the stems, too, become weak, thin, and sometimes produce their ear before healthy stems. When the wheat is ripe, the ears diseased by smut are easily detected, for the form is completely changed; the spikelets are open, separated, straggling, and the beard strangely twisted. The grains contained in the spikelets are black and light; they float on water when dried. Smutted grains are worthless, but they do not seem to be injurious to health, like spurred rye and spurred Indian corn. These animalcula are endowed in the highest degree with the faculty of dying to all appearances, and of reviving when they are alternately dried and permeated with water. They do not retain this faculty for a long time, but it may be exerted a great many times. All substances which act chemically on animal diseases (for instance, the acids, the alkalis, the chlorine, the protochloride of mercury, the sulphate of copper, etc.) infallibly will kill these animalcula. The acids especially act with great energy. Sulphuric acid, diluted with over 200 times its volume, kills the animalcula in a few hours. Among the alkalis, ammonia is the most energetic, diluted with water 100 times its volume, it kills the animalcula instantly. It is clear, from the foregoing remarks, that these animalcula cannot be transmitted from plants without the assistance of humidity. They lose motion, and are no longer able to invade the young ear, wherever dryness reigns. It is therefore, during rainy years and in damp ground, that these animalcula abound. Drainage will either prevent or sensibly check their propagation. Moreover, it is by sound grain to be in the neighborhood of smutted grain that the former is injured. The contagion takes place by the mixture of smutted and sound grains, or by leaving smutted ears on the ground after harvest; by throwing smutted straw into the manure pile, when they are carried to the fields with the manure. Rotation of crops lessens the danger of smut from the two above-mentioned causes, for the animalcula revivified do not breed in the ground, and do not retain life long in it more than five or six months. Smutted grains should be burned, or, if it be desired to give them to poultry, they should be exposed to heat no less than 60° centigrade. Evidently the most common cause of smut in wheat is the mixture of diseased and sound grains in seed-wheat. There are two ways to avert this cause: either select the grain for seed-wheat, or kill the animalcula contained in it. To attain the first object, export seed-wheat from places where smut is unknown. 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A Petersburg (Va.) firm has received a sample of vegetable wool, made in Franklin County. It is planted and cultivated somewhat like cotton.

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REVIEW OF AMUSEMENTS.

MUSIC.

THE RUBINSTEIN CONCERTS ARE FINISHED. They have given musical people something for which to be grateful, and long to be remembered. Those who have heard Rubinstein may well rejoice at the fact, for it is now his avowed determination, after his American contract is finished, to give up piano-playing, and devote himself to composition. In this direction, he has an ambition to produce some great work, which will give him lasting fame, based upon Scriptural events. Those, therefore, who have heard Rubinstein have good cause for congratulation. Even if he should not retire, his visit to this country has not been an entirely satisfactory one to him, add there is no hope that he will ever come here again. His season in this city has been marked by many mortifying incidents in the conduct of some portions of the audience which were anything but respectful to the artists. In this connection, we give place to the following communication:

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

SIR: I must confess to a very considerable appreciation of what Messrs. Aiken & Lunt have been doing for us in the way of good music and good dramatic performances since the inauguration of the new Aiken Theatre, but I am sorry to see that all the good effects of their liberal and judicious catering are likely to be lost in a very unworthy way, and one which the least care might have prevented. There was scarcely one of the concerts assembled on Monday evening last, and certainly none who was drawn thither by a love of music, who was not interrupted in its enjoyment by noise; and in one instance, Rubinstein was obliged to suspend the performance until a party of unruly backers paraded with their heavy boots the vacant floor of the gallery stairs. Nor is this all, windows were opened and closed without care, and attendants in the employ of the management shuffled about with perfect *sang froid* or gossiped and giggled with the most perfect indifference to the enjoyment of others. Such a state of affairs precludes the possibility of an intelligent hearing of the music, and entirely prevents those in the gallery from enjoying it. Now I attended the concert on Monday evening for the purpose of hearing the music, and I supposed that a proper provision would be made that I might do so unmolested. I went to the gallery because I could not afford the price asked for other tickets, and also because I prefer that part of the house as being the acoustic focus of the room. I saw there a great many musicians who no doubt came for similar reasons, and I feel that the claims of so respectable an audience deserve some recognition. FALCONER.

The point which our correspondent makes is well taken. It was a gross breach of the simple respect which such artists as Rubinstein and Wieniawski merited at the hands of an audience whom they served so faithfully. These two artists were not only giving their hearers the best music we have ever had; but in point of quantity Rubinstein's numbers in each programme would have fitted out other pianists for three or four concerts. It is only fair to say, however, that these boorish demonstrations were invariably hissed down by the major part of the audience. It is an inscrutable mystery to us why such people, who care nothing for music, take the trouble to go to concerts.

HIS COMPOSITIONS.

Much has been said and written of Rubinstein's playing; little or nothing of his compositions, and we, therefore, present a few facts touching them, which will be of special interest to musicians. His works, although numerous and important, are not likely to be found upon the counters of dealers in sheet music, and a short resume of his compositions for the benefit of those who may be desirous to make themselves acquainted with them, will therefore be acceptable. The first of his more important writings is an octet, op. 9, for piano, string and wind instruments, then four trios for piano, violin and 'cello, several string quartets, of which op. 17 and op. 90 are particularly fine, and a quintet for piano and wind instruments. Among his duets for piano and violin, the Sonata op. 19 and a duo which he composed with Vieuxtemps are the best, and among his violin Concertos op. 46 and op. 86. His compositions for piano and 'cello are quite numerous, as Rubinstein, like Mendelssohn and Gluck, is a masterly performer on that instrument. Among the easier pieces for this combination are op. 11, the Allegretto of op. 18, and the Andante and Allegro of op. 39. His Concerto for 'cello, op. 65, taxes the resources of the instrument to the utmost, and is only to be attacked by players of the first rank. In this class of chamber music belongs also a Sonata for viola and piano op. 49, dedicated to Vieuxtemps. His compositions for the piano alone comprise 190 different pieces, published in 48 books. The first important one is his op. 14, "Le Bal," a collection of ten characteristic pieces, and the next, op. 62, "Album de Danse," mainly transcriptions of national dances, of which No. 1, "Russkaja i Trepak," No. 5, "Cancase," and No. 6, "Valse," are the best. His Etudes, Preludes and Fugues ought to be in the hands of every pianist who intends to make a thorough study of his instrument. Of his four Sonatas, the last, op. 89, for four hands, and op. 20, for two hands, with variations, are the most important. His Barcarolles, which have been published in this country are very popular. Of his four piano forte Concertos, the Third and Fourth and a Fantasie, op. 84, are the most effective, and scarcely less so his Fantasie for two pianos dedicated to his brother Nicolaus. Rubinstein's songs, mostly for soprano or tenor, number over one hundred. For one voice, we mention only op. 33, 78, and 63; for two voices, op. 48; for male chorus, op. 31, 61, and 74. "The Morning" is a larger work, with orchestral accompaniment. For chorus of male voices, he wrote "Die Nixe." Of his Operas and Oratorios, the best known are "Feramors," "Die Kinder der Haide," "Paradise Lost" (after Milton), and "The Building of the Tower of Babel." His most important works for orchestra are "Faust," overture to "Dimitri Douskoi," overture to "Ivan I.," "Don Quixote," and three Symphonies, the most popular of which is the Ocean Symphony, the Andante of which was played during the recent Thomas season, while their movements in the finale was performed at the Humboldt Festival, two years ago, under the direction of Dr. Julius Fuchs.

A NOTABLE PIANO.

Now that the Rubinstein concerts have closed, and have furnished such a remarkable musical entertainment, it is but simple justice to award a portion of the credit of their success to the superb piano upon which Rubinstein has played, the admirable construction of which has enabled him to produce effects which might otherwise have been utterly lost. We do not remember an instance where a piano has been put to a severer test and come out more triumphantly. It was a Steinway concert grand of extra size, furnished with the duplex attachment, which greatly increases the volume and intensity of tone. If ever a piano needs such an aid, it is when Rubinstein plays it, and in this instance it not only answered all his demands, but evidently had reserve force of tone still in waiting. It must be remembered that Rubinstein's power of wrist is simply amazing. As compared with other players, it is that of a giant, and yet in his most impetuous and *fortissimo* passages, the quality of tone was clear, full, and rich, and never exhausted. Another remarkable feature of the piano is, that so powerful an instrument, in the hands of so powerful a player, in a house so small, should have preserved its richness, purity, and brilliancy of tone. The instrument certainly deserves this much of credit for the share it had in the concerts. Any piano which can fulfil Rubinstein's demands upon it is certainly a notable one.

THE OUTLOOK.

With the closing of the Rubinstein season, we are obliged to fall back upon home music until February, when Theodore Thomas gives his second season under the auspices of the Star Lecture management. The home talent now has a clear field for two months, and should improve it. One of the leading musical events will be the first public rehearsal of the Apollo Club of this city, which will be be given a few weeks hence exclusively by invitations. The Club is now in a very flourishing condition under Mr. Dohn's leadership, and its first rehearsal will prove a genuine musical surprise.

BENEFIT CONCERT.

On Friday evening next, a concert will be given under the auspices of the Chicago Musical College for the benefit of St. Luke's Hospital, to which we shall allude more fully hereafter. The excellence of the charity to be benefited, and the excellence of the programme to be performed, will undoubtedly draw an immense audience. The programme is as follows:

1. Wedding March for 16 hands, four pianos.....Mendelssohn
Misses Furgus, Keith, Phillips, Tiedt, McCormick, Oakley, Burtis, La Payette.
2. Trust Her Not, Vocal Duet.....Balfe
Miss A. S. Lewis and Mrs. F. Ullman.
3. Variations, two pianos.....Moscheles
Misses Jessie Eastman and Carrie Pratt.
4. Who's at My Window, soprano solo.....Osborn
Miss F. C. Hall.
5. Rigoletto, piano solo.....Liszt
Miss Nettie Roberts.
6. Duet from Rigoletto.....Verdi
Mrs. Alice Gardner and Mr. Gill.
7. Norma, two pianos.....Thalberg
Misses Anna Swain and Minnie Ward.
8. La Flores, soprano solo.....Bevignard
Mrs. C. D. Carrington.
9. Symphony, Haydn's.....Haydn
Misses Dora Monroe and Laura Hallowell.
10. Bridal Chorus, Lohengrin.....Wagner

THE MUSICAL COLLEGE.

A very neat catalogue of the Chicago Musical College has just been issued for 1872-73, setting forth the names of the faculty and the detailed plans of instruction. The list of pupils instructed during the year embraces the handsome number of 581, exclusive of the large attendance at the National Normal Musical Institute last summer, held under the auspices of the College. The officers of the College are George F. Root, President; F. Ziegfeld, Director; and Charles T. Root, Secretary and Treasurer. They may well be proud of the handsome exhibit which their catalogue makes, and of the great work which the College is doing for music.

The invitation to Wagner to visit Chicago is now officially confirmed. Dr. Franz Hoffer has sent the following note to the London *Athenæum* respecting Herr Wagner: "May I be allowed to quote the following facts in answer to the common prejudice that the circle of Richard Wagner's admirers is strictly confined to the limits of his own country. The master has lately received an invitation from Chicago to conduct a performance of his works in a theatre to be built for the purpose, and with artists of his own choice, in order to commemorate the reconstruction of that city. For various reasons, amongst which the preparation of the 'Nibelungen' performance at Bayreuth may be quoted as the most important, Wagner has declined this honor." Several other facts are adduced, but this one above mentioned is alone of local interest and will occasion very general regret.

TURNER HALL.

The programme for the Turner Hall concert this afternoon is as follows:

1. Turner March.....Hoffman
2. Overture to "The Fairies' Lake".....Auber
3. Fantasie from "Lurline".....Mensel
4. Quadrille—"La Mimosa Pas".....Gungl
5. Potpourri—"A Wreath of Immortelles".....Mensel
6. Cornet solo—"Whirlwind Polka".....Levy
7. Waltz—"The Siege of the Hearts".....Hoffman
8. Potpourri—From "Faust".....Gounod
9. Overture to "Oberon".....Weber
10. Gallop—"Postillion D' Amour".....Hermann

THE GERMANIA CONCERT.

The regular concert by the Germania Band will be given this afternoon at Orpheus Hall, with the following programme:

1. March, "Trust to Luck".....Faust
2. Overture—"William Tell".....Rossini
3. Waltz, "Tryflen".....Rosini
4. Grand Potpourri, "A Tour through Europe".....Strauss
5. Oboe solo, from "Don Pasquale".....Conradi
6. Horse Railroad Gallop.....Brandt
7. Overture—"La Muette di Portici".....Arndt
8. La Belle Amazone.....Auber
9. Amusement Quadrille.....Loschhorn
10. Finale.....Ziloff

MUSICAL LITERATURE.

Messrs. G. D. Russell & Co. have recently issued a song by Alfred H. Pease, "I Love My Love," to words by Charles Mackay, and dedicated to Mrs. Charles Moulton; also, a Te Deum, No. 4, in C major, by Dudley Buck, which is a notable addition to church music. All the parts have solos assigned to them, but the larger set and best is that for soprano, to the words, "Vouchsafe, O Lord." One of Mr. Buck's strong points is the production of brilliant effects for chorus, and this skill displays itself in several parts of the Te Deum just published.

The sale of the setting of Lord Byron's song, "The Maid of Athens," by M. Gounod, has not been so great as the composer expected, and Mrs. Weldon publishes the following explanation of the failure: "I am much disappointed, on consulting with the purchaser, M. Goddard, to find there is only £17 19s. to send to Mrs. Black from the sale (M. Gounod gets no other profit) of the "Maid of Athens." We should have pushed it more than other songs of M. Gounod's, according to his wish. He sang it at his own concert, in the hope of getting a sale for it (the only time he ever sang in public); I sang it at

DIAMONDS.

The Recent Excitement in the Far West.

Immense Yield of Gems in Brazil---Process of Washing---Different Colors.

Cold Weather on the Plains---Animal Thermometers---Mule-Deer ---The Mexicans.

From Our Own Correspondent.

CAMP ON VERMILLION RIVER, COL. T., Nov. 27, 1872.

"What do you think about the diamond-fields?" "Well, to tell you the fact, I'm d——d if I know." The foregoing is a part of the high-toned dialogue I listened to a few hours ago, between two honest miners; and the conclusion of one of them is about the same as the one I have arrived at. I do not know whether diamond-fields exist at all in the Rocky Mountains, but I do know I have seen what I supposed were diamonds, and they stood every test they were submitted to in the most satisfactory manner. [This letter was, of course, written without any knowledge of the recent exposure at San Francisco.—ED. TRIBUNE.] But some people, who ought to know, have declared the whole thing to be a delusion and a snare, and I presume we will have to submit to their decision. Others, however, still maintain that the diamond-mines are substantial realities, and that immense amounts of precious stones will be taken from the earth in Colorado and Wyoming on the return of warm weather. And now let us say a few words about these handsome strangers.

DIAMONDS ARE FOUND

in Hindostan, Brazil, Sumatra, Borneo, the Ural Mountains, Australia, South Africa, and occasionally in the Eastern States, generally in octahedral or eight-sided crystals, in quartz conglomerates containing oxides of iron; also in earth, sand, and gravel, in loose and imbedded crystals, almost always of small size, and most frequently in company with grains of gold and platinum. Many diamonds were formerly found in India, but of late years the supply has fallen off, until it may be said to have ceased altogether from that quarter. The old India diamonds were superior to those more recently found in Brazil, and seem to have been more brilliant. A large quantity of diamonds are annually sent to Europe

FROM BRAZIL,

which are found mostly in the alluvial soil in the districts of Serra do Frio, Minas Geraes, and San Pablo, and in the beds of rivers. The Brazilian miners distinguish the various diamond-producing soils in the unused beds of streams; in small angular fragments of rocks bestrewing the ground; in fragments of rocks, sand, and clay mixed; and in conglomerate masses which they call cascalho. The masses of stone, which rarely exceed a foot in size, contain Itacolumite) jasper (so named from the mountain of Itacolumi) and garnets. Diamonds are sometimes found on the top of Itambe Mountain, 5,600 feet above the level of the sea, and the highest land in the district. These gems were found in Brazil while people were searching for gold, their true nature being unsuspected, and they were thrown away, or used as counters for card-players. True gems consequently lie buried in a mineral of their own, a diamond in the rough being most unattractive, and would be thrown away by the casual observer as a worthless pebble; its perfections are hidden under a hard crust, which can only be removed by contact with another diamond, or with diamond powder, which is called bort. Many fine gems have been spoiled while being polished.

Jacques Liscon,

of Brazil, who had seen rough diamonds in the East Indies, was the first to discover the value of the Brazilian diamonds. He carried some to Lisbon, where their identity was established. The European traders were afraid the market would be overstocked, and refused to have anything to do with the American stones, at the same time pronouncing them valueless. It was necessary to send the Brazilian diamonds to the East Indies, and thence to Europe, where the traders were induced to believe they were true India gems, before they could get them accepted by the diamond merchants of Europe.

The riches of some of the Brazilian diamond placers

IN ITACOLUMITE,

and gold mining is abandoned as unworthy of attention and left to the children. The crops of all the fowls that are killed are carefully examined, and often found to contain diamonds. A negro once found a stone weighing 20 grains adhering to the roots of a cabbage which he had pulled up for his dinner. Another negro, who had been working in Minas Geraes, was sent to the Bahia district, where, suspecting, from the similarity of the country, that it was a diamond-bearing region, he went to work and soon discovered the precious stones. The news spread like wildfire, and there was a rush to the new mines, such as our people witnessed in later years when the gold mines of California were discovered.

THE YIELD

of the Brazilian mines has become enormous, but is now greatly decreasing. In the first fifty years after their discovery, it is estimated that $60,000,000 worth were taken out. The dry season lasts from April to the middle of October, when the rivers and streams become very shallow,—the remaining water being carried off in sluiceways, so as to leave the bed of the stream dry. The soil is then dug from the bed to the depth of ten or twelve feet, and piled up near the washing huts. During the whole of the dry season, the workmen continue to dig, and this dirt contains diamonds in so regular a proportion that its value can be readily estimated. Sometimes holes are found containing both gold and diamonds. After the dry season is over, the washing commences near the streams, which are now filled with water. The huts near the heaps of dirt are furnished with long troughs, called canoes, in which the washing is done. The negroes take up enough dirt to fill one of the canoes (about 100 pounds), and then allow a stream of water to run in, and continue to stir up the mass with their hands until the water runs clear, and all the earthy particles are washed away. The pebbles in the bottom of the canoe are then examined one by one, and, when a diamond is found, a signal is given. Large diamonds are of very rare occurrence, and on an average of 10,000 stones there will not be one of 18 carats found.

When the labor and pains are considered, the

HANDSOME COMPENSATION

for the toil. The yearly product of the labor of 500 men can readily be carried in the hand!

Diamonds are the only uncut stones that become positively electric by friction. In their rough state, they look like a piece of hardened steel, and have a peculiar hard lustre, called adamantine, in the bright sunlight. They are the hardest of all stones, and, upon being rubbed on an emery file, the latter will be scratched, though they will wear a hole in the emery. Any other stone is readily ground down on one of these files.

THEY ARE OF DIFFERENT COLORS,

as white, blue, red, yellow, green, pink, brown, black, opalescent, and orange, or yellowish red. What is known as the rose-diamond refers to the peculiarity of its cutting, and not to its rose-color. As to the value of diamonds, it is altogether a matter of fancy, though a gem of 1 grains, properly cut, is worth perhaps $100. A rough diamond, weighing 2 carats, or 8 grains, is worth about $100, as it is estimated that one-half of it will be lost during the process of cutting. Diamonds follow the same laws which govern the value of every other commodity,—those of supply and demand; and, as the production of the gems has diminished, and the number of wearers greatly increased, the price has gone on augmenting, and no doubt will continue to augment. The price has enormously increased during the last twenty-five years, on all stones below 3 carats in weight, although not so in the larger sizes, or, at all events, in anything like the same proportion.

DIAMOND-CUTTING

is a distinct branch of business, and is carried on more extensively in Amsterdam than in any other city.

It has been stated on good authority that all of the precious stones worn by the Americans, in what is called the best society, at the close of the Revolution, were not as many in point of numbers, nor so valuable, as those often worn by a single individual in Europe. Our ancestors were poor, and it is to be hoped they were correspondingly virtuous.

The present diamond excitement may have the effect of

DEVELOPING A DESOLATE PORTION

of the Rocky Mountain country, lying in Colorado and Wyoming Territories, and may lead to discoveries which will be of value to the citizens of the Republic. It needs some such thing as this to induce settlers to come in to this elevated region, bringing with them their knowledge of the arts, so that new communities may be formed, and new homes made for the American people. A mining population is generally followed by an agricultural one, and the rarified habitations of the mines are replaced with the permanent homes of the farmers; provided it is in a land where it is possible to raise stock or crops of any kind. It has been demonstrated that flocks and herds do well here, and there is no reason why they should not, as large bands of deer, elk, and mountain-sheep roam about near the base of the mountains. Bunch-grass is as nutritious as any that grows, and, though seemingly dried up, is seized upon with avidity by all herbivorous animals. Cattle run out during the whole winter without any shelter, and are in good condition when spring opens. This speaks well for the Rocky Mountain climate, but is not so creditable to the cattle-owners, who might be at some little pains to build some shelters for them.

FOR ONE, I AM HEARTILY SORRY

that the diamond-fields have not proved a grand success, and, that the brave men who breasted the blast and frozen form of winter, in search of precious stones, have not met with the reward their enterprise and devotion have so nobly and truly merited.

Encamping on a sage-covered plain, when the thermometer at night is 22 degrees below zero, is not, on the whole, a cheerful experience; but all hands seem to eat their rations of venison with a peculiar relish. The water freezes in the tin-cups as we are conveying it from the creeks to our mouths, after having cut holes through the ice which covers the said creeks. The swiftness of these creeks alone prevents their being crystallized into one solid mass. The air is still, and perfectly calm, and, were it not for this, it seems that men and animals would be frozen to death. In this intensely cold weather there is

VERY LITTLE GAME

moving about, both deer and elk having hid themselves away in the dense thickets near the mountains. Even the grizzly bears, with their thick, warm coatings of long hair, fail to put in an appearance, and the whole country seems devoid of animal life. Sage-hens are occasionally met with, their legs being incased in a thick growth of feathers. These are stupid birds, and as rank as a fishcrow. This reminds me of a good friend from the Inquisitive officer of the army. It is known that brevet rank does not entitle an officer to increased pay. The old General says: "The words used by King Claudius—

'O, my offence is rank; it smells to Heaven,'

have no reference to brevet rank, as there isn't a d—d (a)scent in it."

There is nothing like a little cold weather now and then to induce a man to stir about. A good warm fire is a most cheerful and inspiring spectacle, and, when the thermometer shows a great degree of cold, it is a thing to be desired. One geologist says he depends upon the appearance of

THE MULE'S BACKS

to tell how cold it was. When a mule is all humped up, and the hair stands up harsh and stiff, you can bet your bottom dollar it is cold. That the whole of the poor animals are not frozen stark and stiff, is something wonderful to me. What patient animals they are, and how long they will wait for a chance to lodge a rattling kick in the ribs of their owners. For long suffering and patiencecounder all difficulties, commend me to a mule.

Far and wide the mountains and plains are covered with snow, and sneaking prairie wolves and big-headed ravens seek here and there for something to eat.

THE CAYOTES,

or prairie wolves, are most persistent in their attentions, and I do not know that they can be justly blamed for it. They are always famished. We are all a little hard on wolves, and it is not at all strange that they endeavor to pay us off in our own coin. Big gray wolves are occasionally seen, and they are really dangerous animals. Their skins are much sought for, and, when well tanned and properly sewed together, make fine winter-robes. I cannot conceive what they live on during the winter-months, unless it be upon ground-hogs, squirrels, and now and then a grown-up sage-hen. At best they have a most unhappy time of it, and are always hungry.

I have seen, lately, several deer called

"MULE-DEER,"

from the great size of their ears. They are beautiful creatures, and, at this time of year, are covered with a fine coat of hair, almost as soft as wool. It makes the old mountaineers angry to hear a person call these animals mule-deer. Insomuch as they claim that all the deer is a buck that has been driven off by the rest of the herd, being, in fact, a crabbed and cross old bachelor of a deer, deserted by all of his kind. I don't know how much truth there is in this, as old hunters, like old sailors, have some curious superstitions. Black-tailed deer are the beauties of the mountains. Nothing can be more graceful than their movements and motions, and nothing more charming than their whole appearance. It seems almost a pity to kill them; but, in these cold mornings, a man is bound to have meat, no matter what happens. Coffee and deer-meat are the great desiderata of mountain-men. Formerly, they went in pretty heavy for whiskey; but this has fallen off greatly of late, and some hunters do not use it at all.

Vermillion River rises in Wyoming Territory, and empties into Green River, which is a tributary of the Colorado, or Grand River. It is somewhat strange that the Spaniards should name two rivers

RIO GRANDE,

which are so close together,—the Colorado and Bravo both being called Grande. Below here 600 miles is the place where Escalente, the Spanish explorer, crossed the river in 1776, about the time our Revolutionary War was fairly under way. For many years afterward, the Spaniards kept up quite a trade with the Indians, who then, as now, roamed through this country. All of this country was discovered in 1553, and was known as New Mexico, the whole of it was taken possession of for Spain by Don Juan de Onate, he having been sent out by the Count de Montezuy, Viceroy of Mexico, in 1594. A great massacre of the Spaniards, in their forts, or *presidios*, by the Indians, took place in 1680, when the Governor and all the Spaniards living retreated from Santa Fe, and founded the town of Paso del Norte. The whole country was reconquered by the Spanish after an eight years' war, but there was a deadly hatred between the two races for many years. Santa Fe, with the exception of San Augustine, is

THE OLDEST CITY

in the United States, it having been settled in 1591. Some quaint old buildings may be found there, and a *dolce far niente* state of society, which is far from being disagreeable.

THE MEXICANS

are a good people, and, the more we get acquainted with them, the better we like them. Their customs are different from our own,—some of them being better, and some worse. As a general thing, they are frugal, temperate, and honest. It will not do to judge of the Mexican nation by the few Italian bandits who have congregated near the capital of that country, and who have committed the most unheard-of atrocities. The new President, Senor Lerdo de Tejada, is a man of enlarged views and the most exalted statesmanship. It is not going too far to say that he is the foremost statesman now living in the Spanish-American Republics. Juarez was a very able man, and the administrations of these gentlemen have been far different from those of the old military chieftains, who could see nothing beyond the army, and were ordinarily as weak as water. I do not know that this remark will apply to

OLD GENERAL ALVAREZ,

"The Panther of the Pacific," as he was called, who was a sturdy Republican, and wore a wretched old torn straw hat while he was President of the Republic. He got tired of being President, resigned, and went off to Guerrero with his beloved *Pintos*. In the annals of the world, I do not believe there was ever a more genuine patriot than General Don Juan Alvarez, the idol of the Southern mountains. I saw the camp-fires of his soldiers on the hills which surround Acapulco, the town being at the time in possession of Maximilian's soldiers, and the French frigate Tallaman being then in port.

ALGERIA.

Washing Wagons.

Most persons who own and use carriages or wagons doubtless think they know how and when to wash them, but a few hints from the *Carriage Journal* may not be out of place;

Washing wagons is too often looked upon as an operation solely for the purpose of removing a coat of mud; this is one of the objects, and an important one, but the wagon should be washed even when there is no mud on it. During the summer, the varnish loses its lustre, and assumes a dull, dirty appearance, unless it is frequently washed. When a wagon is badly covered with dirt, it is best to soak the dirt loose, by wetting it with a large sponge, but not rubbing it. In cities, where water can be forced through a pipe, the sponge need not be used until the bulk of the dirt has run off, then use the sponge, commencing at the upper portion of the body, and do not wash over too much surface at a time, as the water should never be allowed to dry on the body after washing with a sponge, take clean water and a chamois skin, and wash and dry immediately with the chamois. After the body is washed, wash the carriage part and then the wheels; in washing the wheels be careful to clean the dirt out from between the spokes, and wipe perfectly dry. Immediately after using a carriage in hot weather, the leather and trimmings should be dusted off, and the paint well washed and wiped as directed, using soft water if possible, but never using salt water, as has been recommended by some who are afraid that the supply of water will give out in many of our cities if it is used for other than drinking purposes. Careful washings will tend to harden the varnish, remove the particles of dust that would otherwise feed themselves in the paint, and keep the carriage fresh and clean. The leather top should also be wiped off, and if an oiled cloth be rubbed over immediately after the leather has been dried with the chamois, it will do much toward preserving the lustre of the leather, and preventing it getting hard and shrinking. After washing, always rub the plated work with a woollen cloth that has a little rotten stone on it. Many a dollar in expense and much annoyance from having a soiled carriage may be saved by thus caring for it.

SELECTIONS.

BY DUFF PORTER.

Misapplied and defeated as much of human effort is, still it is well to have struggled,—to have tested our latent energies.

—When Charity walks into the lowest places of want, we see the beautiful purity of her garments most distinctly.

—In order to force mankind to turn their eyes toward Him, God has willed that no object should contain within itself the first cause of its existence.

—God made blossom-buds in every nature; and, if men do not blossom, they are deficient in the higher elements.

—There is no poverty so intolerable as poverty of the heart.

—Nature feels no loss, because God is always present to her.

—The eternal round of the sea on every side has a tendency to wear away the edge of human thought and perception.

—In a discourse, we are moved not so much by what a man says, but by what he takes for granted.

—Thousands listen to-day for a word which waits in the air and has never been spoken—a word of courage to carry forward the purpose of their lives.

—Man's wisdom consists in cheerfully using present comforts, and diligently attending to present duties.

—Do you know so much yourself that you call the slave or the dull face ignorant?

—Whatever God gives men as stepping-stones, they often make into stumbling-blocks.

—The athlete who has been trained for the Olympian goal may never attain it; but he has, at least, gained strength and vigor for a lifetime.

—Duty puts a clear sky over every man, into which the skylark—Happiness—always goes singing.

—It is fearful to think how the world is getting on in material prosperity, and yet how little people are doing as they ought, even in small things, and how much farther they are from doing all of which their natures are capable.

—Whatever would be injurious to the race were all to adopt and carry it out, it is the duty of each to shun.

—Make your inward wants many, your outward wants few, has been the motto of those of strong character.

—Woe to every sort of culture which destroys the most effectual means of all true culture, and directs us to the end instead of making us happy on the way.

—The abrupt movements of the ocean are inexplicable. They form a perpetual perhaps.

—Nature is, literally, but a way which God has of making known to us His feelings, tastes, and thoughts.

—When we reflect that life is so full of neglected little opportunities to improve ourselves and others, we shall feel that there is no need of aspiring after great occasions to do good.

—Doubtless the increasing knowledge of the human race will clear up many a problem too intricate for the present age to solve.

—Every man carries law and judgment in himself, and there is no such thing as his escaping from it.

—Law is a sort of a cock fight, in which it is the business of injured honesty to get a game bird, with the best pluck and the strongest spurs.

—To discipline and develop the children of the spirit, the immortal powers of our inmost being, is the end of life.

—Some lives are like pond-lilies; you think you have gathered all the gold and snow of them, and, when you go to look for your treasures, behold a little plain, brown, folded bud.

—Love coming into a woman's nature is like the last stroke of the artist's pencil to the landscape.

—We glorify the supremacy of first love, as if the heart did not require a training as varied as the intellect.

—Heaven may be a place for those who failed on earth.

—God's care is more evident in some instances than others, to the dim and often bewildered vision of humanity. Upon such slight instances men seize and call them Providences; but it would be gloriously better if they could believe that the whole matter is one grand Providence.

SONG AND MAID.

A poet toiled over a song for the maid
Who had pledged her troth to him.
And he leaned and wrote in the gathering shade
Till his eyes were dim.

But the maiden strolled on the distant beach,
And listed another's tender speech,

The poet sang of her love-lit eye,
So softly and deeply blue;
How its soulful gaze, half arch, half shy,
He only knew.

But the maid's blue eyes were shedding their light
On the face of a tall, dark man that night.

He sang of her hand so white and fair,
And soft as a hand could be;
And "the ring," he sang, "that is gleaming there,
Binds her to me."

But the maid to her tall companion said,
"This ring? 'Tis the gift of a friend that's dead."

He sang of her lips and dewy lips,
They are roses before they blow;
And the taste from the nectar that from them drips,
I, only, know."

But the maiden whispered to one by the sea,
"I love thee, darling, and only thee."

Ah, poet! finish our last light strain,
It shall yet give you praise or blame,
You are wringing a heart with bitter pain,
Yet helping to laurel a brow with fame.

For out of the depths of a master woe,
And through the valley of dark despair
The soul of a singer must grope and go
Ere he wear the purple true poets wear.

The Prophet of Yahveh.

And now come tidings of new troubles arising between Joseph Curry and the pious followers he led from the scholastic precincts of Cambridge, Mass., to found a new Jerusalem among the heathens of Georgia. Of the hundred downeasters who accompanied him to his New Canaan, all seceded last summer save ten men, three women, and five children. It seems that, in his character as "Prophet of Yahveh," he was not content to promulgate a new religious revelation, which they were willing to obey, but must needs make certain novel rules in regard to their property—a topic upon which down-east people are not at all inclined to be superstitious. When the seceders, including the prophet's wife, had left him with such property as they could recover by law, Joseph began to rule with a high hand the indigent few who remained true to the faith. He had all the watches and jewelry in New Canaan turned over to him as forbidden gauds. He confiscated one of the remaining females and installed her as his queen in the splendid tent he occupied. He prophesied the destruction of the high officers of the United States Government within four weeks, and announced that the control of the country would then vest absolutely and by divine right in him and the aforesaid queen. All this was dutifully received by the faithful remnant; but when Joseph shaved off his hair, whiskers, and eyebrows, stripped off his clothing, declared himself a new Adam, and insisted on braving the rigors of the late cold snap in no other costume but a paper miter inscribed "Holiness to Yahveh," the faith of the believers began to waver. At last accounts they were fleeing from the wrath of the dread prophet, and praying the heathen magistrates round about to issue possessory warrants for the goods he had expropriated.

EUGENIE GRANDET;

Scenes of Provincial Life.

Translated from the French of Deflaisse for The Chicago Tribune.

XI.

Grandet came down stairs, thinking of speedily changing his Parisian crowns into good gold, and of his admirable speculation in *rentes*. He had made up his mind to keep his money invested there till they got up to a hundred-francs. A meditation fatal to Eugenie. So soon as he came in, the two women wished him a Happy New Year,—his daughter with hugs and caresses, Madame Grandet gravely and dignifiedly.

"Ah! ah! my child," said he, tissing his daughter's cheeks, "I am working for you, do you see? I want you to be happy. One must have money to be happy; without money, beggary. Look! here is a bran-new napoleon. I sent to Paris for it. On my word, there is not a grain of gold here. You are the only one who has gold. Show me your gold, little daughter."

"Bah! it is too cold; let us have breakfast," replied Eugenie.

"Well, after breakfast, eh? It will help our digestion. That big Des Grassins has sent us this *paté*," continued he. "So eat, my children; it does not cost us anything. Des Grassins is doing well, and I am satisfied with him. The fellow has done Charles a service, and that gratis. He has managed the affairs of that poor dead Grandet very well. Whew!" said he, his mouth full, after a pause, "this is good. Eat some, my wife; this nourishes one for a couple of days."

"I am not hungry; I am very poorly, and you know it."

"Oh, but! You can stuff yourself without fear of bursting; you are a La Bertellière, a solid woman. You are a little bit yellowish, but I love yellow."

The awaiting of a shameful and public death is, perhaps, less horrible for the condemned than was for Madame Grandet and her daughter the awaiting of the events which were to conclude this family breakfast. The more merrily the old vine-dresser spoke and ate, the more the hearts of the two women contracted. The daughter had, nevertheless, a support at that time; she derived strength from her love.

"For him, for him," said she to herself, "I would suffer a thousand deaths."

As she thought thus, she gave her mother looks blazing with courage.

"Take away all this," said Grandet to Nanon, when, about 11 o'clock, breakfast was ended; "but leave us the table. It will be more convenient for us to see your little treasure," said he, looking at Eugenie. "Little! on my word, no. You have what is intrinsically worth five thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine francs, and forty this morning, making six thousand francs, less one. Well, I will give you, myself, that franc to make up the full sum, because you see, little daughter—Well! why are you listening to us? Show me your heels, Nanon, and go about your work," said the goodman. Nanon disappeared. "Listen, Eugenie; you must give me your gold. You will not refuse your father, my little daughter, eh?" The two women were mute. "I have no gold. I had some, but I have it no longer. I will hand you over six thousand francs in livres, and you will invest them as I will show you. It is unnecessary to think of the dozen. When I marry you off, which will be shortly, I will find you a husband who can offer you the most beautiful dozen ever talked of in the province. Just listen, daughter. An excellent opportunity offers itself. You can put your six thousand francs into Government securities, and every six months you will have about two hundred francs in interest, free from tax, or repairs, or hail, or frost, or tide, or any of those things which meddle with incomes. Perhaps you do not like to separate yourself from your gold, eh, daughter? But bring it to me anyhow. I will pick you up some gold pieces, some Holland coins, Portugueses, rupees of the Mogul, and Genovines; and, with those I shall give you on your birthday, in three years you will have replaced half of your pretty little treasure in gold. What do you say, daughter? Lift up your nose. Come, go for it, the dear treasure; you ought to kiss me on the eyes for telling me about the secrets and mysteries of life and death for crowns. Verily, crowns live and move like men; they come, they go, they sweat, they produce."

Eugenie rose; but, after having taken a few steps toward the door, she turned sharply around, looked her father in the face, and said to him:

"I have not got my gold."

"You have not got your gold!" exclaimed Grandet, straightening himself up on his hams, like a horse which hears a cannon fired within ten paces of it.

"No, I have not got it."

"You are mistaken, Eugenie."

"No."

"By my father's pruning-knife!"

When the cooper used that oath, the ceilings shook.

"Good God! Madame is turning pale," cried Nanon.

"Grandet, your anger will kill me," said the poor woman.

"Ta, ta, ta, ta! you folks, you never die in your family. Eugenie, what have you done with your coins?" said he, turning upon her.

"Sir," said the daughter, who was at Madame Grandet's knees, "my mother is suffering excessively. See, do not kill her."

Grandet was frightened by the pallor which had come over his wife's face, once so yellow.

"Nanon, come and help me to go to bed," said the mother, in a faint voice. "I am dying——"

Nanon at once gave her arm to her mistress; Eugenie did the same; and it was but with great trouble that they were able to get her to her room, for she sunk down in a swoon at almost every step. Grandet remained alone. Nevertheless, in a few minutes he went up seven or eight steps, and called out, "Eugenie, when your mother has gone to bed, you will come down."

"Yes, my father."

She did not fail to come, after having reassured her mother.

"My daughter," said Grandet to her, "you are going to tell me where your treasure is."

"My father, if you make me presents over which I have not complete control, take them back," replied Eugenie, coldly, getting the napoleon from the mantelpiece, and handing it to him.

Grandet snatched the napoleon, and slipped it into his pocket.

"I am quite certain I shall never give you anything more. Not even this," said he, snapping his thumb-nail between his teeth. "So you despise your father; you have no confidence in him; you do not know what a father is. If he is not everything for you, he is nothing. Where is your gold?"

"My father, I love and respect you, notwithstanding your anger; but I will very humbly call your attention to the fact that I am 22 years old. You have told me that I am of age quite often enough for me to know. I have done with my money what it pleased me to do, and be sure that it is well invested——"

"Where?"

"That is an inviolable secret," said she.

"Have not you your secrets?"

"Am not I the head of my family? Can I not have my own private concerns?"

"This is my private business."

"It must be a bad business if you cannot tell it to your father, Mademoiselle Grandet."

"It is a good one, and I cannot tell it to my father."

"At least, when did you give your gold?"

Eugenie made a negative sign with her head.

"Did you have it on your birthday?"

Eugenie, as cunning from love as her father from avarice, repeated the same motion of the head.

"Never was there seen such obstinacy, or such a robbery," said Grandet, in a voice which went *crescendo*, and which gradually made the house resound. "What! here, in my own house, in my house, some one could have taken your gold! the only gold there was there!—and I am not to know who! Gold is a dear thing. The best daughters may commit faults, and give away trifles; that happens with great Lords, and even among the middle classes; but to give gold, for you gave it to somebody, eh?"

Eugenie was unmoved.

"Did any one ever see such a girl? Am I your father? If you have invested it, you have a receipt——"

"Was I free, or no, to do with it what seemed good to me? Was it mine?"

"But you are a child."

"I am of age."

Stupefied by his daughter's reasoning, Grandet became pale, and stamped and swore; then, at last finding words, he cried: "Cursed serpent of a daughter! oh, bad weed! you know I love you, and you take advantage of it. She is cutting her father's throat. By God! you have thrown our fortune at the feet of that miserable fellow who has morocco boots. By my father's pruning-knife! I cannot disinherit you, not to the extent of a cask of wine; but I curse you, you, your cousin and your children! You will never see anything good come out of this, do you hear? If it was to Charles to whom —— But no, it is not possible. What! could that wretched dandy have robbed me?"

He looked at his daughter, who remained silent and cold.

"She will not now move; she will not shrink. She is more Grandet than I am. You have not given your gold for nothing, at least. Let us see;" speak!"

Eugenie looked at her father, and gave him an ironical glance, which offended him.

"Eugenie, you are in my house, with your father. If you stay here you must obey my orders. The priests order you to obey me."

Eugenie inclined her head.

"You offend me in what is dearest to me," continued he. "I do not want to see you unless you are obedient. Go to your room. You will stay there till I allow you to leave it. Nanon will carry you bread and water. You have heard me; march!"

Eugenie burst into tears, and went to her mother's room. After having taken several turns around the garden in the snow, without noticing the cold, Grandet suspected that his daughter must be with his wife, and, delighted to catch her disobeying his orders, he slipped up the stairs with the agility of a cat, and appeared in Madame Grandet's room as she was stroking Eugenie's hair, whose face was buried in the maternal bosom.

"Console yourself, my poor child! your father will soften——"

"She has no father!" said the cooper. "Is it really you and I, Madame Grandet, who have begotten such a disobedient daughter as this? A pretty education, and a very religious one. What! are you in your room? Go!—to prison, to prison, mademoiselle!"

"Will you deprive me of my daughter, sir?" said Madame Grandet, showing a face flushed with fever.

"If you want to keep her, take her away, clear out of the house, both of you. Thunder! where is the gold?—what has become of the gold?"

Eugenie rose, gave her father a proud look, and went into her room; whereupon the goodman locked it.

He called out, "Nanon, put out the sitting-room fire." He seated himself in the arm-chair by the corner of his wife's fire-place, and said to her, "she has doubtless given it to that miserable seducer of a Charles, who wanted merely our money."

Madame Grandet found, in the danger which threatened her daughter, and in her feeling for her, strength enough to remain apparently cold, dead, and dumb.

"I knew nothing of all this," said she, moving away from the edge of the bed, so as to escape the fiery looks of her husband. "I am suffering so much from your violence that, if I can believe my presentiments, I shall only go out of here feet foremost. You ought to have spared me now, sir—I who have never caused you any sorrow—at least, I think not. Your daughter loves you, and I believe her as innocent as a new-born child; so do not grieve her; take back your order. The cold is very sharp; you may be the cause of some serious illness."

"I will neither see her nor speak to her. She shall stay in her room, on bread and water, until she has satisfied her father. The devil! the head of a house ought to know where the gold of his house goes. She had perhaps the only rupees in France, with Genovines, the Holland ducats——"

"Sir, Eugenie is our only child, and, even if she had thrown them in the water——"

"In the water!" cried the goodman; "in the water! You are crazy, Madame Grandet. What I have said is said, and you know it. If you want to have peace in the house, make your daughter confess. Pump her. Women can do this to one another better than we men can. No matter what she has done, I will not eat her. Is she afraid of me? Even if she has gilded her cousin from head to feet; he is on the high seas, eh! We cannot run after——"

"Well, sir," excited by the nervous crisis she was undergoing, or by the misfortune of her daughter, which developed her tenderness and intelligence, Madame Grandet's perspicuity had lent to her notice a terrible motion of her husband's wen, just as she was answering; she changed her idea without changing her tone,—

"Well, sir, have I any more control over her than you have; she is like you."

"Lord! your tongue is well hung this morning. Ta, ta, ta, ta! I do believe you are braving me. Perhaps you have an understanding with her."

He looked steadfastly at his wife.

"Really, Mr. Grandet, if you want to kill me, all you have to do is to keep on in this way. I tell you, sir,—and, even were it to cost me my life, I would repeat it,—that you are acting wrongly to your daughter; she is more reasonable than you are. That money belonged to her; she could make no other than a good use of it; and God alone has a right to know our good works. Sir, I beg you to be kind to Eugenie again. You will thus lessen the effect of the blow your anger has caused me, and you will perhaps save my life. My daughter, sir! give me back my daughter!"

"I am going to clear out," said he. "My house is no longer inhabitable; mother and daughter reason and talk as if——Bah! Bah! You have given me a cruel New Year's gift, Eugenie!" cried he. "Yes, yes, cry! What you have done will cause you remorse, understand. What good does it do you to go to communion six times every three months if you secretly give your father's gold to a sluggard, who would eat your heart if you had nothing else to offer him? You will see what your Charles is good for, with his high and mighty airs. He has neither heart nor soul, since he dares to carry away a poor girl's treasure, without her parent's consent."

When the street-door was shut, Eugenie left her room, and went to her mother.

"You have been very courageous for your daughter," said she to her.

"Do you see, my child, where wrong things lead us? You have made me tell a lie."

"Oh! I will ask God to punish me alone for it."

"Is it true," said Nanon, coming in with a frightened air, "that Mademoiselle here is to live on bread and water the rest of her days?"

"What does that matter, Nanon?" said Eugenie, quietly.

"Ah! not much *frippe* shall I eat when the daughter of the house lives on dry bread! No, no."

"Not a word of all this, Nanon," said Eugenie.

"My mouth will be sealed; but you will see." Grandet took dinner alone, for the first time for twenty-four years.

"So you are a widower, sir?" said Nanon. "It is very disagreeable to be a widower, with two women in the house."

"I was not talking to you. Hold your tongue, or I will put you out! What have you got in your stewpan, which I hear boiling up on the stove?"

"I am melting some fat."

"Company will come this evening; light the fire."

The Cruchots, Madame Des Grassins and her son, came at 8 o'clock, and were surprised to see neither Madame Grandet nor her daughter.

"My wife is a little out of sorts; Eugenie is with her," replied the old vine-dresser, whose face betrayed no emotion.

After an hour spent in unimportant conversation, Madame Des Grassins, who had gone up to see Madame Grandet, came down, and everybody asked her, "How is Madame Grandet?"

"Not at all well, not at all," said she. "The state of her health seems to me very alarming. At her age, it is necessary to take the greatest precautions, Papa Grandet."

"We will see about that," answered the vine-dresser, in an absent-minded way.

Everybody bade him good night. When the Cruchots were in the street, Madame Des Grassins said to them: "Something new is going on at the Grandets. The mother is very sick, and does not even suspect it. The daughter's eyes are as red as if she had been crying for a long time. Do they want to marry her against her will?"

When the vine-dresser was abed, Nanon stole up to Eugenie's room in her stocking feet, and showed her a patty made in the stewpan.

"Take this, mademoiselle," said the good girl. "Cornoiller has given me a hare. You eat so little that this patty will last you for a good eight days, and, on account of the jellying, there is no danger of its spoiling. At least you will not live on dry bread. That is not healthy at all."

"Poor Nanon!" said Eugenie, pressing her hand.

"I made it very nice and very delicate, and he did not notice it. I got the lard, the bay-leaves, everything, with my six francs; surely I can do what I please with them." Then the servant hurried off, fancying she heard Grandet.

For several months the vine-dresser constantly came to see his wife at various hours of the day, without speaking his daughter's name, without seeing her, and without making the least reference to her. Madame Grandet did not leave her room, and day by day her condition worsened. Nothing beat the old cooper. He remained unshaken, rugged and cold as a pile of granite. He went and came as usual; but he quit stammering, talked less, and showed himself harder in business matters, than ever before. He often failed to notice an error in his calculations.

"Something has happened at the Grandets'," said the Cruchotins and the Grassinists. "What has happened at Grandet's?" was the regular question universally asked at all the evening parties at Saumur. Eugenie went to church under the oversight of Nanon. If, as she left the church, Madame Des Grassins made any inquiries, she replied evasively and without satisfying her curiosity. Still, it was impossible, after two months to keep hidden, either from the three Cruchots or from Madame Des Grassins, the fact of Eugenie's seclusion. There came a time when pretexts were failing to account for her constant absence. Then, without its being possible to know by whom the secret had been betrayed, the whole town learned that, since New Year's Day, Mademoiselle Grandet had been, by her father's order, shut up in her room, on bread and water, without fire; that Nanon made delicacies for her, and carried them to her at night; and they even knew that the young woman could see and nurse her mother only while her father was out of the house. Grandet's conduct was then judged very severely. The whole town put him outside the pale of the law, as it were, remembered his treasons, and his hard acts, and excommunicated him. When he went by, every one pointed at him, and whispered. When his daughter went along the winding street to a mass or to vespers, accompanied by Nanon, all the residents stood at the windows, to look curiously at the behavior of the rich heiress, and at her face, where angelic melancholy and mildness were portrayed. Her seclusion, and her father's ill-will, were nothing to her. Did not she see the map of the world, the little beach, the garden, and the bit of wall; and did she not she recall to her lips the honey that loving kisses had left there? For some time, as well as her father, she was ignorant of the way they talked about her in the city. Religious, and pure before God, her conscience and her love helped her to bear with patience her father's anger and vengeance. But a profound sorrow came to silence all others. Day by day, her mother—a mild and tender creature, who was adorned with the radiance her soul emitted as it neared the grave—was wearing away. Eugenie often reproached herself with having been the innocent cause of the painful, the slow sickness which consumed her. This remorse, though quieted by her mother, bound her all the more closely to her love. Every morning, so soon as her father had gone out, she came to the head of her mother's bed, and there Nanon brought her her breakfast. But poor Eugenie, sad, and suffering from her mother's pains, called Nanon's attention to her face by a silent gesture, wept, and did not dare to speak of her cousin. Madam Grandet was compelled, first of all, to say to her: "Where is *he*? Why does not he write?"

"Let us think of him, my mother," answered Eugenie, "and not speak of him. You suffer, —you more than all others."

"*All others*" meant "*him*."

"My children," said Madame Grandet, "I do not regret life. God has shielded me by causing me to contemplate with joy the end of my sufferings."

The words of this woman were always holy and Christian. When, as she was breakfasting, her husband came to walk about her room, she said to him, during the early months of the year, the same things, repeated with angelic mildness, but with the firmness of a woman to whom approaching death gave the courage she had lacked during her life.

"Sir, I thank you for the interest you take in my health," replied she, when he had asked her the most common of questions; "but, if you want to make my last moments less bitter, and to relieve my sufferings, take your daughter back into your favor; show yourself a Christian, a husband, and a father."

When Grandet heard these words, he sat down by the bed, and behaved like a man who, seeing the coming of a shower, quietly gets under shelter in an archway; he listened to his wife in silence, and made no reply. When the most touching, the tenderest, the most religious entreaties had been made to him, he said: "You are a little pale to-day, my poor wife." The most utter forgetfulness of his daughter seemed to be engraven on his stony forehead and his compressed lips. He was not even moved by the tears which his indefinite answers, whose wording was hardly varied, caused to flow down the white face of his wife.

"May God forgive you, sir," said she, "as I do. You will need mercy some day."

Since his wife's sickness, he had not dared to use his terrible "Ta, ta, ta, ta!" But still his despotism had not been disarmed by that angel of mildness, whose ugliness disappeared day by day, driven off by the expression of the moral qualities which came to blossom on her face. She was all soul. The spirit of prayer seemed to purify and lessen the coarser characteristics of her face, and made it radiant. Who has not noticed the phenomenon of that transfiguration

were compiled in growing the malt wood used. Of hops, his consumption was 20,000 which engrossed also a 2,000 acres of bearing country. In malt-tax and license-duty he paid, last year, £300,000. The total sale of Bass, during the past year, amounted to 800,000 barrels—each barrel containing thirty-six gallons; so that Bass could have supplied more than half the estimated population of the human race with a glass of beer per day from his brewing of one year. Throughout Burton premises Bass owns over five miles of private railway, runs five private locomotives, and uses twenty-six steam engines, with collective horse power of 484. He employs 2,000 persons, and pays more than £20,000 weekly wages. Bass used last year 80,000 tons of coal. Bass has in use 30,000 butts, 40,000 hogsheads, 118,000 barrels, and 260,000 firkins, a stock of casks in all, in store and used over the country, exceeding half a million.

COME AND GONE.

Just for a moment the baby came;
Just for a moment it rested sweetly;
Just for a moment, I felt the flame
Of a soft life clasp me tenderly.

Just for a moment, and then away
Back to the calm out of Time's wide stead;
Just for a moment, enough to say,
"Mother," and smile at the Gates of Pearl.

Fire-Proof.

A writer in the *American Artisan* proposes a novel device for making buildings fire-proof, and wonders that no architect ever thought of so obvious a plan. He would make up the partition of the walls of buildings in a manner analogous to sectional steam boilers, and fill them with water; then no fire could be communicated from one building to another as the water had all boiled away. The water would need not be made more than one inch in thickness, and might be constructed of sheets of metal. Nothing can burn until heated to the temperature at which it combines with oxygen, and the partitions could never reach this temperature so long as they were kept supplied with water, since each atom of heat has a swift vehicle to seize and carry away with it. No solid material known to the arts is capable of withstanding the heat generated in the great fires of Boston and Chicago. If all the conditions so long vainly sought after in endeavoring to render buildings absolutely fire-proof, something is required that heat will not melt, or warp, or crack, and otherwise obnoxious to air that fire cannot communicate to combustibles stored in buildings; or the latter must be found by which the force of the fire can be expended upon something we can afford to waste. That material is water, and the writer in the *Artisan* thinks he has pointed out the right way to use it.

—The Princess of Wales, on her husband's birthday, presented to the Sandringham Church a beautiful lectern as a thanksgiving memorial for the recovery of his Royal Highness. The lectern is in the form of a brass eagle with outstretched wings, bearing on the breast a cross, and having beneath the inscription: "To the glory of God. A thank-offering, Dec. 1, 1871. Alexandra. 'When I was in trouble I called upon the Lord, and He heard me.'—Psalm cxx., verse 1."

RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE OF TRAINS.

Winter Arrangement.

EXPLANATION OF REFERENCE MARKS.—† Saturdays excepted. * Sunday excepted. ‡ Monday excepted. ¶ Only Sunday morning Express. ‖ Only Sunday evening Express. ** On Saturdays this train will be run to Chesapeake.

CHICAGO & ALTON RAILROAD.
Depot, Alton & St. Louis Through Line, and Louisiana & Missouri River Line, foot of Lake-st. Ticket office, 62 Clark-st., corner of Madison-st., and at Depot, corner Madison-st. bridge.

	Leave.	Arrive.
St. Louis & Springfield Express, via Main Line	* 9:30 a. m.	* 4:45 p. m.
Kansas City Fast Express, via Jacksonville, Ill., and Louisiana, Mo.	* 9:30 a. m.	* 4:45 p. m.
Kansas City Express, via Jacksonville, Ill., and Louisiana, Mo.	* 4:00 p. m.	* 9:30 a. m.
Kansas City Express, via Jacksonville Division	¶ 9:00 p. m.	¶ 7:20 a. m.
Kansas City Express, via Jacksonville Division	* 9:00 p. m.	* 7:20 a. m.
Jefferson City Express	* 9:00 p. m.	* 7:20 a. m.
Peoria, Keokuk & Burlington	* 9:30 a. m.	* 4:45 p. m.

*Daily, via Main Line, and daily except Saturday, Jacksonville Division. ¶Daily, except Monday, via Jacksonville Division.

CHICAGO, BURLINGTON & QUINCY RAILROAD.
Depots, foot of Lake-st., Indiana-av., and Sixteenth-st. and Sixteenth-av. Ticket offices at Depots and at Depots.

	Leave.	Arrive.
Mail and Express	* 7:30 a. m.	* 4:30 p. m.
Dubuque and Sioux City Exp.	* 9:15 a. m.	* 6:30 p. m.
Peoria Fast Line	‖ 11:15 a. m.	‖ 4:30 p. m.
Peoria Local Express	* 4:00 p. m.	* 10:30 a. m.
Galesburg Express	* 5:15 p. m.	* 9:30 a. m.
Mendota & Ottawa Passenger	* 5:15 p. m.	* 9:30 a. m.
Aurora Passenger	* 5:15 p. m.	* 9:30 a. m.
Aurora Passenger (Sunday)	‖ 4:30 p. m.	‖ 10:30 a. m.
Aurora Passenger	† 6:00 p. m.	† 8:30 a. m.
Lemont & Joliet Accommodation	† 6:00 p. m.	† 8:30 a. m.
Pacific Night Express	‖ 10:00 p. m.	‖ 7:30 a. m.
Pacific Night Express	* 10:00 p. m.	* 7:30 a. m.
Downer's Grove Accommodation	* 6:15 p. m.	* 9:30 a. m.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD.
Depot, foot of Lake-st. and foot of Twenty-second-st. Ticket office, 12 Canal-st., corner of Madison.

	Leave.	Arrive.
St. Louis Express	* 7:00 a. m.	* 4:30 p. m.
St. Louis Fast Line	* 7:15 p. m.	* 8:10 a. m.
Cairo Express	* 7:15 p. m.	* 8:10 a. m.
Springfield Express	* 7:15 p. m.	* 8:10 a. m.
Dubuque & Sioux City Express	* 9:00 a. m.	* 6:30 p. m.
Dubuque & Sioux City Express	* 7:15 p. m.	* 8:10 a. m.
Hyde Park and Oak Woods	* 8:30 a. m.	* 12:00 m.
Hyde Park and Oak Woods	* 10:30 a. m.	* 2:00 p. m.
Hyde Park and Oak Woods	* 12:00 m.	* 3:30 p. m.
Hyde Park and Oak Woods	* 2:00 p. m.	* 5:00 p. m.
Hyde Park and Oak Woods	* 3:30 p. m.	* 6:30 p. m.
Hyde Park and Oak Woods	* 5:00 p. m.	* 8:00 p. m.
Hyde Park and Oak Woods	* 6:30 p. m.	* 9:30 p. m.
Hyde Park and Oak Woods	‡ 11:00 a. m.	‡ 2:00 p. m.

**On Saturdays this train will be run to Chesapeake.

CHICAGO, INDIANAPOLIS & CINCINNATI TRUNK LINE, VIA KANKAKEE ROUTE.
Trains arrive and depart from the Great Central Railroad Depot, foot of Lake-st., and Ticket offices at 62 Clark-st., and at Depot, corner Madison-st. bridge.

	Leave Chicago.	Arrive at Indianapolis.	Arrive at Cincinnati.
Day Express	* 9:00 a. m.	* 4:30 p. m.	* 10:30 p. m.
Night Express	* 5:00 p. m.	* 12:01 a. m.	* 6:30 a. m.

*Trains arrive at Chicago at 8:40 a. m. and 4:10 p. m. Only line running Saturday night train to Cincinnati. The entire train runs through to Cincinnati. Sleepers on night trains.

CHICAGO & NORTHWESTERN RAILWAY.
Ticket office, 51 West Madison-st.

	Leave.	Arrive.
Pacific Fast Line	* 10:30 a. m.	* 7:30 p. m.
Dubuque Day Express	* 10:30 a. m.	* 7:30 p. m.
Pacific Night Express	* 10:00 p. m.	* 7:30 a. m.
Freeport Night Express	* 10:00 p. m.	* 7:30 a. m.
Freeport & Dubuque Express	* 9:15 a. m.	* 6:30 p. m.
Dubuque & Dubuque Express	* 5:00 p. m.	* 10:30 a. m.
Milwaukee Mail	* 9:00 a. m.	* 3:30 p. m.
Milwaukee Express	* 3:00 p. m.	* 10:30 a. m.
Milwaukee Passenger	‖ 5:15 p. m.	‖ 9:30 a. m.
Milwaukee Passenger (daily)	‖ 11:45 p. m.	‖ 8:00 a. m.
Green Bay Express	* 9:00 a. m.	* 3:30 p. m.
Green Bay Express	* 9:00 p. m.	* 6:30 a. m.

CHICAGO, ROCK ISLAND & PACIFIC RAILROAD.
Depot, corner of Harrison and Sherman-sts. Ticket office, 22 West Madison-st.

	Leave.	Arrive.
Omaha and Leavenworth Ex	* 5:10 p. m.	* 9:55 a. m.
Omaha Accommodation	* 5:10 p. m.	* 9:55 a. m.
Night Express	‖ 10:00 p. m.	‖ 7:30 a. m.
Leavenworth Express	‖ 10:00 p. m.	‖ 7:30 a. m.

LAKE SHORE & MICHIGAN SOUTHERN RAILWAY.
Depot, corner Harrison and Sherman-sts. Ticket office, southeast corner Madison and Clark-sts.

	Leave.	Arrive.
Mail, via Air Line and Main Line	* 9:00 a. m.	* 4:30 p. m.
Special New York Express, via Air Line	* 9:00 a. m.	* 4:30 p. m.
Atlantic Express, via Air Line	* 5:15 p. m.	* 9:30 a. m.
Night Express, via Main Line	* 10:00 p. m.	* 7:30 a. m.
South Chicago Accommodation	* 9:00 a. m.	* 4:30 p. m.
Hobart Accommodation	* 5:15 p. m.	* 9:30 a. m.

CHICAGO, DANVILLE & VINCENNES RAILROAD.
Passenger Depot of P., C. & St. Louis Depot, corner of Canal and Adams-sts. Ticket office at Fo. C. & St. L. Depot, corner Harrison and Carroll-sts. Freight and Ticket office, 75 Washington-st.

Taking effect Dec. 1, 1872.

	Leave.	Arrive.
Mail	* 7:40 a. m.	* 4:30 p. m.
Evansville & Terre Haute Ex	* 7:30 p. m.	* 8:10 a. m.

PITTSBURGH, FORT WAYNE & CHICAGO RAILWAY.
Depot, foot of Lake-st. and foot of Twenty-second-st. Ticket office, 75 Canal-st., corner of Madison.

	Leave.	Arrive.
Day Express	* 9:00 a. m.	* 4:30 p. m.
Pacific Express	* 5:30 p. m.	* 9:30 a. m.
Fast Line	* 7:00 p. m.	* 8:10 a. m.
Mail	* 10:45 a. m.	* 4:30 p. m.
Valparaiso Accommodation	* 5:45 p. m.	* 9:30 a. m.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL & GREAT WESTERN RAILROAD.
Depot, foot of Lake-st. and foot of Twenty-second-st. Ticket office, 75 Canal-st., corner of Madison.

	Leave.	Arrive.
Mail (via main and air line)	* 5:30 a. m.	* 4:30 p. m.
Day Express	* 9:00 a. m.	* 4:30 p. m.
Jackson Accommodation	* 3:05 p. m.	* 10:30 a. m.
Atlantic Express	* 4:00 p. m.	* 9:30 a. m.
Night Express	* 10:00 p. m.	* 7:30 a. m.
INDIANAPOLIS VIA PERU ROAD.		
Mail	* 5:30 p. m.	* 10:30 a. m.
Night Express	* 10:00 p. m.	* 7:30 a. m.
GRAND RAPIDS AND PENTWATER.		
Night Express	* 10:00 p. m.	* 7:30 a. m.

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THE CHURCHES.

Dr. Patton on Prof. Tyndall's Assault on Prayer.

Methodism in Chicago—Miscellaneous Religious Items.

Programme of Services in the Churches To-Day.

Episcopal and Roman Catholic Calendar for the Week.

PROFESSOR TYNDALL.

Professor Tyndall, who has so thoroughly aroused the Christian world on the subject of prayer, and so generally called down upon himself the thunders of the religious press, gets his first check from a leader in the last *Advance*. Replying to the assaults on prayer, it says:

Professor Tyndall does not seem to understand that no Christian prayer ever asks for a miracle. It only asks God to administer, naturally alone, or supernaturally in addition, but even the so-called "natural" is of course, at last everything that we name. For to deny prayer, in the sense in which that we may offer it, to God, is to deny that this is not a personal God. Tyndall and the rest of them will have to come back to the simple fact that we are here in an intelligent universe, and that we with the comfort and the help of God may "strive for" facts; for clean and healthful living; for a sick babe upon her lap, for her husband far away upon the sea, every parent that feels, was absent son or daughter with a yearning interest and anxious zeal that no mere scientific man can or ought to feel. Every temperance reformer who goes into a grog-shop, every tempted young man that implores divine grace, every one of the faithful saints that ask and seeking at the throne of grace, every one who in any agency acts in reliance for pardon, cries out to the living God, is the practical confutation of Professor Tyndall's absurd theory of prayer is to decoun nce to despair!

It is hardly possible the profound scientist and subtle scholar is somewhat misunderstood by many on this important theme. Let us hear and reason, at least, are friends. This is what the Professor says concerning his revil ers:

I set no store by the terms "heathen" who make such use of the terms heathen, savage, profane, and ignorant, as they notoriously lack the decency and self-command necessary to give accuracy to their statements, or to render their charges worthy of serious refutation.

Nor listen to what Tennyson says on the same:

Some things are wrought by prayer
What this world dreams of. Wherefore, let thy voice
Rise like a fountain for me night and day.
For what are men better than sheep or goats
That nourish a blind life within the brain,
If, knowing God, they lift not hands of prayer
Both for themselves and those who call them friend?
For the whole round earth is every way
Bound by gold chains about the feet of God.

METHODISM IN CHICAGO.

The Church is associated in the earliest history of the city. The records of early Methodist work here are quite complete. In October last the American Methodists had sixteen churches within the city limits, and church property worth about $861,000. The membership is about 5,700. Seventeen Sunday schools employ 556 officers and teachers, and give instruction to 5,620 pupils. The Clark Street Church, since the fire, has been in a chapel near Harrison street, but is now finishing its new "Methodist Church Block" on the corner of Washington street. Trinity Church is using the basement of its elegant church on Indiana avenue. The Wabash Avenue occupies the purchased church on the corner of Fourteenth street. Michigan Avenue Church occupies the basement of its new temple near Thirty-seventh street. Halsted Church has but a comfortable building. Grace Church, North Side, worships in its chanty chapel, but expects to occupy the basement of its new stone church in January. Grant Place, Centenary, Ada Street, Park Avenue, Maxwell Street, Halsted Street, and Simpson Churches were not burned out. Western Avenue has just dedicated a new church, worth $16,000. The German membership is about 1,000, with four churches, four Sunday schools, 190 teachers, and about 1,900 pupils. The Church property is worth about $110,000. To these are to be added the Scandinavian Methodists, who have about 950 members, about $75,000 worth of Church property, five Sunday schools, and 600 pupils. This gives an aggregate of 22 churches, 4,300 members, 23 Sunday schools, and 7,600 Sunday school scholars, on an about $1,100,000 worth of Church property. These churches are vigorous and under zealous ministry, are growing finely. The English Church organ is the *Northwestern Christian Advocate*, Arthur Edwards, editor. The paper is extending its field constantly. The Germans read the *Apologet of Cincinnati*, and the Swedes the *Sändebud*, published in Chicago.

GENERAL CHURCH NEWS.

There will be ordination services in connection with the settlement of the Rev. M. E. Davies as pastor of the Welsh Congregational Church of this city to-day. In the morning at half-past 10 o'clock the services will commence, when the installatory part will be performed by the Rev. Daniel Williams. The Rev. William Watkins, of Iowa City, will preach on "Congregational Church Polity." In the afternoon, at half-past 2 o'clock, the ordination will take place. Reading the Scriptures and prayer by the Rev. Morgan Oatwalader. The questions will be asked to the minister by the Rev. Wm. Watkins. The ordination prayer will be offered by the Rev. Dr. Godwin; the charge to the pastor in the evening at 7 o'clock, reading of the Scriptures and prayer by the Rev. J. C. Hughes. The charge to the church will be given by the Rev. John Cadwalader, of Milwaukee, and the charge to the newly-ordained pastor by the Rev. Wm. Watkins.

PERSONAL.

The Rev. Nathan Brown, who was for twenty-two years a missionary in India, and for fifteen years editor of the *American Baptist*, was in the city last Sunday on his way to take charge of the Baptist mission work in Japan. He preached at the University Place Church Sabbath evening. The Rev. G. W. Gobis, some stead wil h the same mission, who has been in Japan for fifteen years, is returning with Mr. Brown.

Rev. John C. Hill, a resident of the city, and a student of the Presbyterian Theological Seminary, has been appointed by the Board of Foreign Missions as missionary to Japan. It is understood that Mr. Hill accepts the commission, and proposes to sail for Yokohama the coming spring.

Rev. Dr. Robert Collyer is lecturing in New England. He was in Brattleboro on the 15th inst. His engagements continue at the rate of five nights per week until early in February, at which time he may be expected home.

Rev. Dr. C. D. Waters, who was severely injured two weeks since, while entering a passenger coach on the L. S. & C. R. R. is improving, though still confined to his room.

BELMONTE STREET.

The first annual meeting of the Chicago Baptist Union will be held in the Second Church on Tuesday evening. It is proposed on occasion one of decided interest. Each Baptist church is entitled to be represented by the pastor and five delegates.

The following additional members were received into Rev. Dr. Thompson's church—Thirty-first Presbyterian—last Sunday. It is proposed to hold a preaching service for the children to-morrow at 3 p. m.

At Thanksgiving a present of a house and lot, worth $6,000, was made to the "Permanent Relief Fund" of the Congregational Seminary at Chicago.

The interest in Miss Sarah Smiley's preaching has not abated. She spoke last Sunday in the Fourth Park Congregational Church to an audience of over two thousand.

SERVICES TO-DAY.

Services will be held in the churches to-day, morning and evening, as follows:

UNITARIAN.

The Rev. Henry G. Spaulding will officiate this morning and evening at All Souls' Church.

The Rev. Clinton Locke, D. D., will preach this morning and evening at Grace Church.

The Rev. Chas. Edward Ward (Chicago preacher at Christ Church) will preach this morning on "The First Great Revival," and this evening on "No Neutrality in Religion."

The Rev. C. H. W. Stocking will officiate to-day at the Church of the Epiphany. The subject of the lecture is "Sheridan, the Dead Church."

The Rev. R. C. Kinney officiates to-day at the Church of the Atonement.

The Rev. J. F. Weber will officiate at Calvary Church. The evening subject is "The Gentiles waiting for the Messiah."

The Rev. Messrs. Warren, D. D., officiates, this morning and evening, in St. Mark's Church.

The Rev. E. Bellfrage, Rector of Trinity Church, preaches this morning, in Central Hall, on "A plea for the Bible," and in the evening on "The Second Coming of Christ."

The Rev. H. R. Fowera, D. D., preaches this morning and evening, in St. John's Church.

METHODIST.

The S. T. Smiley will preach this morning, at the Centenary Church. The Rev. Dr. Fowler preaches in the evening.

The Rev. J. F. McClelland will preach this evening at the Wabash Avenue Church.

The Rev. R. D. Sheppard will preach this morning at the Michigan Avenue Church on "The Grace of Giving." There will be a children's church service in the evening.

The Rev. W. C. Dowdy will preach this morning, the Rev. C. H. Fowler this afternoon, and the Rev. C. O. Truesdell this evening, in the lecture room in the new Methodist Block.

The Rev. W. F. Stewart will preach this afternoon in the Reuben Street Church.

The Rev. J. G. Campbell preaches this morning and evening in the Sixth Street Church.

The Rev. S. McChesney preaches twice at Trinity Church, the evening subject being "Popular Amusements."

PRESBYTERIAN.

The Rev. G. L. Thompson will preach this morning at the Thirty-first Street Church. No evening service.

The Rev. J. H. Walker will preach at Hemlock Church, this morning and evening. The annual meeting will be held Tuesday evening.

The Rev. H. D. Gullick will preach, this morning and evening, in the American Reformed Church.

The Rev. A. E. Kittredge will preach twice in the Third Church, the evening subject being "Our Christmas Gift."

The Rev. Ben. S. S. Ely preaches, this morning and evening, in Grace Church.

The Rev. W. G. Young will preach, this morning and evening, at the Fullerton Avenue Church.

The Rev. E. P. Goodwin will preach this morning at the First Church on "Pitching the Tent toward Sodom;" and this evening on "Belshazzar's Feast."

Professor Swing will preach this morning to the Fourth Church at McVicker's.

The Rev. William Alvin Bartlett will preach this morning and evening at Plymouth Church.

The Rev. E. N. Packard, of Evanston, preaches this morning and evening at the Forty-seventh street Church.

The Rev. L. T. Chamberlain preaches this morning and evening at the New England Church.

UNIVERSALIST.

The Rev. C. W. Wendte will preach this morning and evening at the Third Church.

The Rev. J. C. M. Hewitt will speak upon the "Secrets of the Power of Jesus upon the Mind of the World" at Unity Church, Oak Park, this morning.

The Rev. R. L. Collier will preach this morning only at Bryant & Stratton's Hall.

The Rev. D. C. Gaylord will preach this morning to the South Church, in Bournique's Hall.

The Rev. R. R. Shippen, Secretary of the American Unitarian Association, and formerly pastor of the First Church, in this city, will preach to-day for the Rev. Robert Collyer.

BAPTIST.

The Rev. W. W. Everts will preach this morning, in the First Church, and Henry Morehouse in the evening.

The Rev. Jesse B. Thomas will preach, this morning, at the Michigan Avenue Church, on "Building the Church," and this evening on "Whom Shall We Trust?"

The Rev. W. E. Noyes will preach, this morning and evening, at the Free Church.

UNIVERSALIST.

The Rev. H. F. Campbell will preach, this morning and evening, at Morgan Park.

The Rev. Dr. Ryder will preach this morning in the Jews' Synagogue on "Independence in Prose and Public."

The Rev. J. C. Bowles preaches this morning and Dr. Ryder this evening, in the Church of the Redeemer.

SEVENTH-DAY.

The Rev. C. D. Noble, pastor of the Second Society, will hold services at 3 o'clock in Plymouth Church.

Rev. Dr. Hibbard will preach this morning at the new Church Hall, corner of Eighteenth and Union avenue, and at 3 o'clock in the Union Park Congregational Church.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Rev. D. L. Kinman, a Christian Evangelist, will preach at 3 o'clock in the afternoon at the Temple, corner of Jackson and Sangamon streets.

The Rev. James Harrison will preach this morning and evening at the Church of the Pilgrims.

The Rev. O. A. Burgess preaches this morning and evening in the Christian Church.

Henry Morehouse preaches this morning at the North Side Tabernacle, and this evening at the First Baptist Church.

D. L. Moody will preach this evening at the North Side Tabernacle.

There will be morning and evening services of the First Society of Spiritualists at No. 99 West Randolph street.

The Rev. P. Richards will preach this evening at the chapel of the English Lutheran Church, corner of Dearborn and Erie streets, which has just been newly fitted up.

D. L. Moody will preach this morning in the Lincoln Park Church, on Sedgwick street.

The Rev. A. T. Shoemaker preaches to-day at the Church of God, the evening subject being "Power of the atonement."

The Christians meet this afternoon in Brenner Hall, No. 344 North Carpenter street.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK.

EPISCOPAL.

Dec. 8—Second Sunday in Advent.
SOME OF THE SAINTS.
Dec. 8—Immaculate Conception.
Dec. 10—St. Melchiae, P. M.
Dec. 11—St. Damascus.
Dec. 13—St. Lucia, V. M.

ELSEWHERE.

There are $2,000,000 worth of new churches building in New York City.

—Maryland is said to contain fewer Baptists than any other State in the Union.

—The census of 1870 reports 72,459 churches in the United States, capable of seating 31,656,062 persons, and valued at $354,483,591. This includes all religions.

—The Rev. John Stock, in a letter to the *Christian Era*, says that the professors in all the present Baptist Colleges in England are open communion, and that most of the ministers whom they train follow their lead.

—The Rock River Methodist Conference, Illinois, has voted to forbid any more Masonic ceremonies in laying church corner-stones.

—The National Unitarian Convention, at Boston, failed to adopt a "Statement of Belief," but the subject was recommitted to the committee, who are to report to the Convention in 1874.

—In 1706, the first Jewish congregation in this country was organized in the City of New York, and the first synagogue was built in 1731. Now there are at least forty synagogues in New York and the whole number of houses of prayer in the United States is about 200. The finest synagogue in New York is Emmanuel Temple, the cost of which was $700,000.

—Simeon Thomas, of Toledo, has purchased the Lutheran Church at Perrysburg, Ohio, paying cash down. Simeon Thomas is colored, made the money with which he bought the church in pursuit of his profession as a boot-blacker, and gives the church to his colored brethren in Perrysburg.

—The English *Church Times* says: "It is commonly reported in political circles at Vienna that the three Emperors have agreed to unite in a joint note to the Pope demanding the suppression of the Jesuits, and promising, if he will agree to their demand, to take the other religious orders under their protection and to come to some understanding with the Italian Government regarding their property."

—The Department of Religion in Japan have recently issued a decree declaring that all religion is founded exclusively on faith, and that there can be no good argument against the toleration of the Christian religion.

—The *Congregationalist* says that "in a prayer meeting not many miles from Boston, a few Sundays since, one of the brethren prayed most earnestly that the pastor might keep a 'level head.' But it is fair to explain that the pastor has sometimes been called eccentric."

—The *Independent* learns that the project of the Jesuits in Canada to establish a great university for the perpetuation of their political power in that country has been decisively put down by an edict from Rome.

—The number of Baptists in New Hampshire reported last year was the same as that of 1838. During the same period the increase of the Church in the United States appears to be 125 per cent.

—The Buddhist nunneries at Wuchang have been suppressed, and the parents of the girls notified that, if not claimed and taken home, the ex-nuns will be handed over to any eligible novice desiring a wife; there are numerous applications for them.

—The pews in the new St. Bartholomew's Church, in New York City, have been sold (not rented) for upward of $150,000.

—It is reported that there is a society of "fathers" in connection with the Ritualistic Church of the Advent, in Boston, which is quietly laying its plans to besiege that abode of the wicked, Harvard College, and convert the same to the Catholic faith.

—Methodism within a century has attained in England 1,200,786; in the United States 2,030,-831; total, 3,231,297 members.

—Twelve young ladies took the veil at the Convent of the Good Shepherd, in St. Louis, Mo., on the 21st ult.

—The Tsweminsch Tartars have no particular religion, and have an odd way of arousing this. They say that they once had a religious book for their guidance, but one day a cow came and ate it.

—The receipts of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith of Rome for the year 1871 were $1,004,175, of which all but $55,000 was gathered in Europe. France being the largest contributor.

—The Rev. S. C. K. Hulligan (Presbyterian), of New York, declared the other Sunday, "that as matters stand, the prospects are that the Chinese will convert us to Confucianism here in this country sooner than we will shall make Christians of them. The impudence of our country, our morals, public and private, is not such as to make converts of intelligent heathens among us."

—The Evansville (Ind.) *Journal* says: "A young man named Ebert, a resident of Stillwater, was married on Thursday to a Miss Vail of this city. Miss Vail was a steadfast Jewess, and, as a condition precedent to her acceptance of him, Mr. Ebert had to renounce Christianity and become a believer in Judaism. He submitted to the rite of circumcision about five weeks ago, and was formally accepted as a child of Israel before the marriage."

—The seventh anniversary of the Methodist Church Extension Society was celebrated at the Arch Street Methodist Episcopal Church, Philadelphia, Nov. 21. The report of the Treasurer was read, from which it appears that the total receipts of the year, from all sources, was $110,183.09; total disbursements, $90,047.19; leaving a balance on hand of $11,605.90. Drafts have been issued in aid of churches, reducing this balance to $2,455.90, and applications have been granted, for which drafts have been issued, which would overdraw the present cash balance to the amount of $13,909.16. Besides this, there are applications on file amounting to $65,985.

The New York *Sun* of Nov. 20 says:

St. Stephen's Roman Catholic Church through all this month of November has been a scene of thrilling interest. The Jesuits have been there holding a mission, or (as Presbyterians would call it) a protracted meeting. Day after day, night after night, in spite of rain, in weather under zero, the people from all parts in the morning until eleven at night, the great church, the most capacious in the city, has been thronged.

It is a strange sight, at 4 in the morning, amid the silence and darkness that reign outside of the church, streaming through its variously colored windows upon a throng, mostly of laboring men, who, before partaking of their frugal breakfast, or proceeding upon their daily toil, are found on their knees. When these rejoin they are met by a much greater throng, composed largely of women, old and young, coming in the next relay down to the 8 o'clock mass. Then in turn has a new congregation; at 12 o'clock a sermon, and in the evening the church is again packed.

The first two weeks of the mission was devoted entirely to women; and if anybody wanted to attend a Women's Convention there was the place. No men were allowed. Five thousand women confessed their sins and received the paternal benediction, "Go and sin no more." The other two weeks of the mission are given to men; but as many of them are prevented by their employments from attending church in the day time, women are then also admitted.

Fathers Busam, Hackspiel, Elliot, Durnford, McGrath, Carabert, Hamilton, De Rouge, and about 30 Jesuits, have been hearing confessions until 11 o'clock at night, beginning at 5 in the morning. They were aided in this fatiguing duty by the secular priests, the archbishop occupying a confessional. Dr. McGlynn and his colleagues, Monsignori Preston and Farrelly, and Father Lynch had charge of the beautiful choral music of the forty hours.

This mission will next Sunday. Every Sunday with its seven services draws its 20,000 persons, and every week day an average of 5,000.

—The officers of the different branches of the Evangelical Alliance have issued their annual programme of topics for the week of prayer, extending from Jan. 5, 1873, to the 13th. The following are the subjects selected:

Sunday, Jan. 5—Sermon: Subject, The foundation of early and universal extension of the Christian Church.

Monday, Jan. 6—Devout acknowledgment. Remembrance of God's mercy to the nation; to families; of the blessings of the Gospel; of spiritual blessings to ourselves; confession of sin.

Tuesday, Jan. 7.—Prayer: For Christian Churches; their oneness in love, activity, fidelity to truth, clearer manifestation of the unity in the faith; their purity, missionaries, and evangelists.

Wednesday, Jan. 8.—Prayer: For families; for sons and daughters of Christian parents; for the blessing on home influence and on the services and ordinances of "the Church of God;" for schools, colleges, and universities; for children at sea or in foreign lands; for servants; for masters in their relation to servants, and for all in sickness and tribulation.

Thursday, Jan. 9.—Prayer: For Kings, and all in authority; for the maintenance of peace; for increase of righteousness; for the spread of the Gospel; for the growth of sound knowledge; for contentment, concord, and good will among all classes; for the discernment of God's hand in National judgments; and for the removal of intemperance, "that sin which has the which has the "wrath to say people."

Friday, Jan. 10.—Prayer: For mankind: for the circulation of the Holy Scriptures, and the spread of pure literature; for the overthrow of all forms of tyranny and oppression; for the revival of true forms of anti-Christ; for all prisoners and captives, and for the increase of that kingdom which is "righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Ghost."

Saturday, Jan. 11.—Prayer: For Sunday Schools; for missionary, tract, and other religious societies; for the raising up and sending forth of more "laborers into His harvest;" and for the removal of hindrances to the speed of the Gospel, and the conversion of the world.

Sunday, Jan. 12.—Sermons: "Let the whole earth be filled with His glory. Amen, and amen."

THE HUMANE SOCIETY.

Report of President Brown—Smooth Shoeing and Overloading—Advice to the South Side Car Company.

The Society "Going for" the Cruel School Teachers—How Some Schools are Disciplined.

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

SIR: We have to report that the condition of the horses in this city has greatly improved since our last report, and our agents (of whom we now have only one half the number, that we have had for the past few weeks, owing to lack of funds) have had their attention called principally to cases of overloading and smooth shoeing. If we had the money to pay them, we should station an agent at the approaches to each of our bridges, where the most frequent cases of hardship to the poor animals occur. Will not some good citizens aid us in this direction? Our agent at the Union Stock Yards is doing a good work, and is gradually, but surely, causing a radical reform in the treatment of stock at that place. We find that, although the general condition of the horses belonging to the South Side Horse Railway was much better at the commencement of the epizootic than that of the West Side Railway, the former has lost by far the greater number of animals. These have been, as we are informed, only three cases of dropsy on the West Side, while there have been several times that number on the South Side. This we attribute to better medical treatment and care in the one case than the other. In this connection we would again repeat what we stated some weeks ago, that it is highly important for the men having charge and charge of stock should be men of absolutely sober habits. We have also no hesitation in saying that the South Side Road would find it more profitable, as well as more humane, if they should use two lighter horses on their "one horse" cars, instead of one heavy animal, as at present.

Our attention has been called, during the past few days, to cases of cruelty to children in our public schools, which we propose to stop, if possible, and we think that the great majority of parents in this city will gladly assist us in our endeavors to do so. Last week we reported on the cruelty of keeping the children out of doors in cold weather, waiting for the opening. We have now to report a mode of punishment or training in vogue, which seems to us cruel in the extreme. In one school, for instance, children, in marching down stairs at the close of the day, did not keep step (probably the poor little things were so glad to get out that they, childlike, forgot what they were doing), when the whole number were compelled to march up one flight of stairs and down another, as we are informed, *thirty-two* times on one occasion, and sundays times on another. Among these children was a lame boy. To quote the quaint language of a letter I have received from one of the sufferers, handed to me by his father—"If you had asked any of the boys the next day how they felt, they would have told you that they did not care for marching up and down stairs to-night." There are other abuses in our schools, such as keeping the children over hours, making them study at home of nights, and the like, which will receive our consideration in due time.

Reports have come to us that the keeper of the pound in Hyde Park is habitually guilty of gross cruelty to the animals under his charge, keeping them for whole days without food or water, and the like. There should be humane thought enough in the residents of that place to remedy this, without troubling us therewith. Respectfully,

EDWIN LEE BROWN, President.

THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Meeting of the Board of Managers—Election of an Assistant Librarian—Rules for the Reading-Rooms.

A meeting of the Board of Managers of the Public Library was held yesterday afternoon, President Hoyne in the chair. Present, Messrs. Sheahan, Hayes, Rosenthal, Quesl, and Shorey.

The Joint Committees on Library and Administration reported they had decided upon Miss Westcott as Assistant Librarian.

The Committee on Buildings and Grounds reported, recommending the appointment of another assistant.

The Committee on Rules reported a few, to cover the opening of the reading-rooms. They provide for keeping them open from 9 in the morning till nine at night, Sundays included.

Mr. Sheahan offered the following on the same subject:

1. That the Attorney of this Board shall act as Librarian, and shall have general charge of the library and reading-rooms, and shall be paid a salary at the rate of $1,200 a year.

2. That two assistants shall be appointed, the salaries to be at the rate of $1,000 a year, respectively.

3. That the reading-rooms shall be open continuously on each day, including Sundays, from 9 a. m. till 9 p. m., and one of the two assistants, or the Secretary, shall always be in attendance during the hours the library and reading-rooms shall be kept open.

The matter was laid over.

Mr. Rosher reported that he had heard from Baron Tauchnitz to the effect that the latter would furnish 1,249 volumes of his publications unbound, at a discount of 50 per cent. He would also see that they were bound. As bound they will make 782 volumes, at a cost of about $440.

The purchase was ordered.

The salary of the Secretary and Librarian was made $1,200 for the present.

Mr. Quesl offered a resolution thanking the Wesleyan Missionary Society of London for their valuable contributions. It was adopted.

The Secretary reported that there had been 631 books and pamphlets received since Nov. 2. The total number of books now in the Library is 1,227.

The Board adjourned.

Still They Come.

Admiring crowds throng daily to the elegant jewelry store of McElwain, corner of State and Randolph streets. The windows and show-cases are replete with the finest of diamonds, gold watches, and fancy goods for the holiday trade; while the superior card engraving in the latest styles, under the supervision of Mr. E. P. Brown, forms one of the many attractions of this establishment.

From the North Side.

I use the "new" Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine in my establishment, for making coats, and consider it the best sewing machine that I have ever used.

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THE BANKS.

The banking district is already clearly defined, and will be included within Fifth avenue and Dearborn street, and Randolph and Monroe streets. A few banks will wander beyond these limits, but the favorite locations will be inside them, particularly on Washington, Madison, LaSalle, and Dearborn streets. Most of the banks have moved into their new quarters, and those that have not are only waiting to have them finished and furnished. There seems to have been a commendable rivalry as to which should have the most elegant apartments, the result being that all are more or less elegant, and will compare with the banks of any city in the world. The following will give an idea of the present locations and impending changes:

ON LA SALLE STREET.

The Manufacturers' National, before the fire at the corner of Washington and Dearborn streets, was at No. 454 Wabash avenue while waiting for its present office in Bryan Block, at the southwest corner of LaSalle and Monroe streets. The rent is $6,000 per annum.

Lazarus Silverman's Bank, formerly at the corner of LaSalle and Randolph streets, moved after the fire to No. 562 Wabash avenue, and is now in Bryan Block, Nos. 164 and 166 LaSalle street. There are two double offices for which $2,250 a year is paid.

The National Bank of Illinois is also in Bryan Block, at No. 160 LaSalle street. This institution was before the fire on Washington street, between Clark and Dearborn, and removed temporarily to No. 14 West Randolph street and No. 703 Michigan avenue. The present location will be permanent. The rent is $3,600 a year.

The Traders' National Bank is on the southwest corner of Madison and LaSalle streets, in the Otis Block, where it will remain. The rent is $5,000. Before the fire it was at No. 44 Clark street, whence it retreated to No. 447 Wabash avenue.

The Scandinavian National, whose predecessor, F. S. Winslow's bank, was at the corner of Clark and South Water streets, is comfortably at home in Nixon's Building, at the northeast corner of LaSalle and Monroe streets. The rent is $6,600 a year.

Lunt, Preston & Kean are in the Republic Life Insurance Building, Nos. 157 and 159 LaSalle street, having removed from No. 423 Wabash avenue, where they were when the fire drove them out of No. 93 Clark street. They pay $4,000 rent, and $6,500 for the West Side branch, in Masonic Temple, corner of Randolph and Halsted streets.

The International, formerly at No. 147 Randolph street, after the fire at No. 589 Wabash avenue, is now at 183 LaSalle street, but will move some time next spring to Washington or Dearborn; the exact place is not yet determined. They pay $2,500 rent, but the accommodation is not adequate for the business of the bank.

The Cook County National, which had moved into Hunoke's building, corner of Dearborn and Monroe streets, just before the fire, and after it opened at No. 204 Wabash avenue, is now at Nos. 129 and 131 LaSalle street. In May next the institution will occupy LaSalle corner of Custis, King's building at the corner of Washington and Dearborn streets, at a rent of $6,000 per annum. The rent of the present office is $400 a month.

The State Savings Institution moved to No. 589 Wabash avenue after the fire, and subsequently to Madison street near the bridge, where it still remains, the bank expecting to commence rebuilding on the old site, Nos. 80 and 82 LaSalle street, opposite the Court House square, in the spring, and will put up a building worthy of the institution and of the neighborhood. It will measure 45 by 90 feet. The rent of the present office is $3,500 a year.

The Chicago Savings Institution, before the fire under the First National corner of Washington and LaSalle streets, retreated there until Nov. 1, when the building was put in the hands of workmen. It was the last bank to move out of the burnt district and the first to move back, in the interim it was at No. 123 West Randolph street, and is now at No. 129 LaSalle, waiting for its new building, at the northwest corner of Madison and Dearborn streets, to be fitted up. The new building cost $30,000, and is owned by the bank.

WASHINGTON STREET.

The Fourth National, at one time in the Portland Block, at the southeast corner of Washington and Dearborn streets, moved, after the fire, to No. 475 Wabash avenue, has been in Nevada Block, corner of Washington and Franklin streets, since May. It will stay there until arrangements are completed for an office further east, probably on Washington street.

The Cook County Savings Institution is next door to the Fourth National, and will follow it wherever it locates permanently.

The Third National, now at No. 475 Wabash avenue, will occupy the office in Portland Block at the corner of Washington and Dearborn streets when completed. Their office in the old building was occupied by the Fourth National as mentioned above. The rental will be $11,000.

The Bermuda Bank, once at No. 49 South Clark street, and after the fire at No. 17 Milwaukee avenue, is now permanently fixed at the southwest corner of Washington street and Fifth avenue. The rent is only $2,000, the bank being interested in the ownership of the building.

The City National has returned to No. 158 Washington street, having rebuilt upon the old site at a cost of $80,000. After the fire it went to the corner of Washington and Clinton streets.

The Union National occupied the noble building which stood at the southeast corner of Washington and LaSalle streets before the fire, and will return in May to a building of equal grandeur erected on the same site. The building is not owned by the bank, but by its President, Hon. W. F. Coolbaugh, and two other gentlemen. It will cost $200,000 when finished. The present location is on the corner of Madison and Market streets, and after the fire it occupied Mr. Wheeler's private residence, No. 340 Wabash avenue.

The Corn Exchange National Bank, before the fire on the main floor of the Chamber of Commerce, moved to Mr. B. P. Hutchins' residence, No. 305 Wabash avenue, and is now back for good in the Chamber of Commerce, at the corner of Washington and LaSalle streets, on the first floor. The rent is $6,500 a year, and the lease runs five years.

The Northwestern National occupies the corresponding rooms on the floor above. They had similar apartments in the old building. The bank has a ten years' lease at $4,000 a year.

The Merchants' National is on the first floor, across the hall from the Corn Exchange. The rent is $5,000. Prior to the fire this bank was in the Union National Bank building, whence it retreated to No. 325 Michigan avenue.

The Central National is a new bank, just organized, with $200,000 capital, and a limit of one million. It is on Washington street, between Clark and Dearborn, in offices for which $4,000 rent is paid.

The Commercial National is doing business at present under the First National, corner of Washington and State streets, but will shortly remove to the block on the northeast corner of Washington and Dearborn streets, where apartments were specially constructed for its use.

Greenebaum & Foreman, and Hammond & Watson are on Washington street, under the First National.

RANDOLPH STREET.

The Hide and Leather Bank will permanently occupy the southeast corner of Randolph and LaSalle streets when completed, which will be in a very short time.

The Bank of Chicago will be on the opposite corner, in the elegant Metropolitan Block. The painters are giving it the finishing touches.

G. H. Nichol & Co. are also in the Metropolitan Block, No. 167 Randolph street.

The Fidelity Savings Bank at the Sherman Deposit Building, next to the Sherman House, will be finished and occupied in January. Before the fire Mr. W. B. Bryan had a safe depository on nearly that of this site, which has since been purchased by the bank, and on it and forty feet adjoining has been erected a fine building, the total cost of which will be $250,000. Mr. Bryan's original vault, which went through the fire unscathed, stored a large sum of money, besides valuable papers, contained 1,100 notes. These were routed to persons who deposited in them their valuables, and had their own keys, so that no one else had access to them. The bank has constructed another vault, containing 3,500 boxes, making a total of 4,600. The new vaults has been built as carefully as the old one. The temporary office of the Bank is at the corner of Madison street and Fifth avenue. Mr. John C. Haines, formerly of the State Savings Institution, is now the President.

CLARK STREET.

The Merchants' Farmers' and Mechanics' Savings Institution, formerly at No. 13 Clark street, and subsequent to the fire on Halsted, near Madison, is now at No. 75 Clark street, in Superior Block. The West Side office will be continued as a branch.

STATE STREET.

The First National Bank had moved into its noble building, at the southwest corner of State and Washington streets, but a short time before the fire which compelled a temporary evacuation of the premises. It went to No. 449 Wabash avenue for a few weeks, and then built a shanty on Washington street, so as to be near the vaults, which were uninjured. It took possession of the renovated building on April 6, six months after the fire. The building is valued at $200,000. Immediately after the "great calamity" it was conspicuous amongst the ruins, and the scene, commemorated on canvas by Mr. Hopkins, a Detroit artist, hangs in the counting-room, a memento of a memorable event in the history of the institution, as well as in the history of the city.

DEARBORN STREET.

A. C. & O. P. Badger, who did business in Aber days at No. 51 Dearborn street, and, under the pressure of circumstances which could not be resisted, moved to No. 633 Wabash avenue, are in fine apartments in the Equitable Insurance Building, at the corner of Dearborn and Washington streets. They have a ten years' lease at $4,000 a year.

Barclay, Voorhies & Co. are in the same building fronting on Dearborn street.

MADISON STREET.

The Merchants' Saving, Loan and Trust Company accommodated the public before the fire at the southwest corner of Lake and Dearborn streets, in Dickey's Building that used to be. They went to No. 404 Wabash avenue while the Manniere Brothers were putting up their stone building at the corner of Madison and Dearborn streets. The bank is now at home in the corner on the main floor, one of the best counting rooms in the city. The rent is $8,000 a year, and the lease is for three years with the privilege of extension, if they wish.

The Union Trust Company, which held out at the northeast corner of Madison and Dearborn streets, and after the fire at No. 37 West Madison street, built at the northeast corner of Madison and Clark streets, and has taken possession. It is, of course, intended to be a permanent location. The cost was $36,000.

The National Bank of Commerce, at the Masonic Temple, on Dearborn street, the day after the fire, and went to the corner of Wabash avenue and Congress street, with a branch at No. 56 South Canal street, and is now in the brick building at the southwest corner of Clark and Madison streets. The rent is $4,000.

The Second National Bank, formerly at the north west corner of Lake and Clark streets, and after the fire at No. 69 West Washington street, is now at the northwest corner of Madison and Clark streets. The rent is $5,000 per annum.

The Citizens' Bank of Chicago, a new institution, is in the brick building at the northeast corner of Madison and Clark streets. The lease runs five years, at $2,000 a year.

The Fifth National Bank went from Larmon Block that stood at the corner of Washington and Clark streets to Wabash avenue, near the court, and in a short time removed to a temporary one-story building at the corner of Madison street and Fifth avenue. No definite arrangements have been made about its future location.

The Hibernian Banking Association, formerly at the southwest corner of Clark and Lake streets, split into two after the fire, the main office going to Wabash avenue, near Peck court, and the branch to the west end of Madison street bridge. It is now located at the east end of the bridge, on the north side of the street, and will probably continue there until May, when removal is contemplated, but not absolutely decided upon. The rent is $3,500 a year.

The Bank of Montreal opened an office in Chicago in November, after the fire, and is now in the Central Union Block, between Market street and the river. The new offices will be on Washington street, probably in the Merchants' Insurance Building, or under the Union National. The present rent is $4,000.

FIFTH AVENUE.

Henry Greenebaum & Co., who were at the southwest corner of Lake and LaSalle streets before the fire, and since on North Canal street, near Randolph, will move into the new building on the west side of Fifth avenue, between Washington and Randolph streets, at the beginning of the new year.

MISCELLANEOUS BANKS.

The Marine Bank will be permanently at home in its new marble building on the corner of Lake and LaSalle streets, erected on the old site.

There are one or two West Side banks on Halsted street, between Madison and Washington, and several branches of South Side institutions on Randolph street.

SAFES AND VAULTS.

Extraordinary care has been taken in the construction of bank vaults, and the officers of the various institutions never weary in expatiating upon their burglar and fire-proof qualities.

The average rent paid by banks is between $4,000 and $5,000.

INSURANCE OFFICES.

Insurance naturally follows banking, and insurance offices are generally adjacent to banks, as the same class of business men patronize both. LaSalle street is apparently the favorite with insurance men, and Washington street next. The Equitable Building is on Dearborn, at the southwest corner of Washington, and when all the office buildings on Dearborn are finished it will have a share of insurance business. Madison will also have not a few agencies.

LAW OFFICES.

The law offices are concentrating in the vicinity of the Court House Square, and on streets in the neighborhood. The fire distributed the legal profession very widely, many gentlemen hanging shingles outside their private residences. But few are finally settled, and the majority are waiting until spring, when they hope rents will be lower. Law will take up its abode on LaSalle, Dearborn, Clark, Randolph, Washington, and Madison streets. Real estate dealers will also favor those streets.

THE IRON TRADE.

Hall, Kimbark & Co. and Hale, Ayer & Co., wholesale iron houses, have rebuilt upon their former sites on Michigan avenue, at the head of Lake street. Parkhurst & Wilkinson, Jones & Laughlin, Kirk, Coleman & Co., J. T. Dawson, also large houses, remain on South Canal street, but it is believed they will gradually gravitate to Lake street or its vicinity.

THE HARDWARE TRADE.

All the large hardware houses are now on Lake street. A few that were on other streets before the fire, seeing the tendency of the trade, have followed it. Lake will be the Hardware street of the future. Among the firms already doing business on that street are Hibbard & Spencer, Seaberger & Brakley, Markley, Alling & Co., Edwin Hunt, William P. Blair & Co. (formerly on Randolph), and Britnell, Tarvy & Belfour. The two latter houses, that of Blair & Co., erected its own building. Others, such as Hibbard & Spencer, rented buildings in advance, and had them constructed to suit themselves. Rents vary. One firm pays $8,500 a year, another, Miller Brothers & Keith, $9,000, a third, Hibbard & Spencer, $15,000, the average rent being $10,000 a year.

THE GROCERY TRADE.

The wholesale grocery trade will be confined almost exclusively to the territory included between Washington street and the river, and Wabash avenue and Lake street. The crotch formed by the junction of Wabash avenue and South Water and River streets is the centre where the trade radiates. The grocery dealers recovered very quickly from the fire. They did not own the buildings in which they did business, and their insurance paid an average of 75 per cent of their losses. Consequently, of the forty-five principal firms in the city, none failed, and but few suspended. The trade has increased since the fire, and none of it has been diverted elsewhere. Rents average $4,000 a year for buildings used by the trade. But one firm, J. W. Doane & Co., put up its own building.

DRY GOODS, ETC.

After the fire the dry goods trade moved westward, and some of the largest establishments, such as Field & Leiter, Hamilton, Hale & Co., and F. W. Farwell & Co. will continue their wholesale departments on Madison and Monroe streets, between Fifth avenue and the river. There are also some of the great wholesale hat, cap, and fur, and boot and shoe stores which come from Wabash avenue and State street north of Washington. An important portion of the wholesale trade in these articles has returned to the old locality. The retail dry goods houses will be found in the future on State street and Wabash avenue, and to some extent on West Madison street.

THE EATING BUSINESS.

A necessary concomitant of all this business is the business of eating. Men will eat. In the midst of business we are hungry, and must find some place to satisfy the cravings of the inner man. The present feeding facilities on the South Side are probably as extensive as before the fire. Conley's restaurant, at the corner of Madison and Market streets, Burke's and Anderson's European Hotels, on Madison, Kuhn's on Dearborn, Chapin & Gore's lunch counter, which is the same as a restaurant, except that guests are elevated on stools instead of being seated on chairs, Tom Andrews' chop house, on Calhoun place, Dearborn, near Madison, and Colgrard's place, on South Water street, are the most prominent eating houses. There are two Holly Tree Inn Coffee Houses, one on Washington street, near the tunnel, one on Monroe near LaSalle, and numerous smaller places, such as Dillon's, on Monroe, the oyster houses in the basement of corner of Clark and Madison, and a variety of incipient "hash factories" all round.

There is no fear of any one with money starving. The number of guests at these different places every day is enormous. One averages from 1,000 to 1,200, another is 600, and so on, according to size and popularity.

The improvement in the South Side is apparent to every one. The houses look bright and new, and the architectural appearance of the streets with all the strange combinations of orders and styles, is unique and pleasing. The homes of sin, formerly on LaSalle and adjoining streets near Harrison, which seemed

Fixed like a plant on this peculiar spot
To draw nutrition, propagate, and rot,

have been driven further south, and will not return. The day is near at hand when the area south of Harrison to the river and west of the river to the lake, will be solid blocks of buildings devoted to trade and commerce. There has been nothing since the time of Charles II, like the restoration of Chicago. It challenges the admiration of mankind.

MONEY AND COMMERCE.

MONETARY.

SATURDAY EVENING, Dec. 7.

We are at last able to say that there is a slight, though unquestionable, let up in the stringency in the local money market. Some of the banks are unable to make any increase in their accommodations to customers yet, but the majority say to-day that money is a little easier, and that they can increase their advances to regular customers accordingly. While the circumstances of low prices for crops, high charges for freights, and unusual liabilities for building, forbid the hope of what may be called an "easy money market" in Chicago this winter, it is at least some satisfaction to note the fact that what change there is, is in that direction. There is an immense number of hogs and cattle in the country to come forward yet, and when these have come in and been sent East, they will leave a balance of credit in bank here and in the country that will greatly alleviate the stringency.

The banks are, of course, not able to take but a portion of the prime business paper offered them and a great deal is still offered in the open market, at 1¾ per cent per month. The Comptroller of the Currency mention ed in his report, that the Chicago banks make 19 per cent net per annum, while those of other cities make at most but 10. This, together with the amount of good business paper offered in the open market, and the rates obtained for money on it, shows the necessity mentioned from time to time in THE TRIBUNE for more bank capital to do the increasing business of Chicago.

The supply of New York exchange has increased within the week, but the demand has increased in greater proportion. The sales were made between banks to-day at 60c and 75c per $1,000 premium, and some banks shipped currency to New York.

The clearings of the Chicago banks for the week ending Dec. 7 were:

Days.	Clearings.	Balances.
Monday	$3,916,961.73	$1,740,196.86
Tuesday	3,904,417.46	801,417.46
Wednesday	2,839,630.42	291,116.02
Thursday	3,092,373.18	317,256.79
Friday	3,877,179.82	687,784.84
Saturday	3,853,207.45	818,888.44
Total	$23,216,861.73	$4,746,166.86
Corres. week last year	17,601,260.63	2,230,232.40

The following quotations of local stocks are furnished by Messrs. Hammond & Watson:

	Bid.	Asked.
First National Bank	135	....
Fifth National Bank	130	....
Commercial National Bank	140	....
Merchants' National Bank	170	....
Second National Bank	110	....
North western National Bank	200	....
Corn Exchange National Bank	115	....
City National Bank	147	....
Cook County National Bank	107	110
National Bank of Illinois	109	111
National Bank of Commerce	109	....
Chicago City Railway	....	160
West Division Railway	....	105
North Division Railway	....	105
Pullman's Palace Car	110	113
Babcock Extinguisher	....	80
Elgin Watch Company	103	105
Chamber of Commerce	....	105
Chicago Gas Light and Coke Company	100	102¼
Traders' Insurance Company	....	100

COMMERCIAL.

SATURDAY EVENING, Dec. 7.

The following were the receipts and shipments of the leading articles of produce in this city during the past twenty-four hours, and for the corresponding date a year ago:

	RECEIPTS.		SHIPMENTS.	
	1872.	1871.	1872.	1871.
Flour, brls	8,904	4,320	7,190	5,149
Wheat, bu	45,350	19,200	8,676	4,529
Corn, bu	41,405	103,618	1,830	11,276
Oats, bu	79,473	23,787	3,773	5,476
Rye, bu	2,439	3,124	....	2,826
Barley, bu	20,160	11,788	9,179	16,825
Grass seed, lbs	40,800	48,460	20,000	3,140
Flax seed, lbs	26,600	4,760	....	....
Broom corn, lbs	74,000	55,080	24,710	9,200
Cured meats, lbs	166,930	29,180	1626,716	1313,920
Beef, brls	....	....	260	192
Pork, brls	....	....	1,250	230
Lard, lbs	23,460	132,479	627,900	418,092
Tallow, lbs	23,695	28,000	29,800	50,300
Butter, lbs	73,119	43,120	29,645	28,139
Dressed hogs, No	634	396	192	271
Live cattle, No	28,627	29,628	4,494	1,707
Cattle, No	1,763	637	1,410	894
Sheep, No	209	33	372	....
Hides, lbs	189,393	165,047	140,716	267,160
Highwines, brls	869	444	805	818
Wool, lbs	286,838	18,970	218,930	38,363
Potatoes, bu	2,250	2,561	....	....
Lumber, m feet	853	1,435	1,554	610
Shingles, m	400	1,000	1,000	500
Lath, m	50	25	43	56
Salt, brls	2,126	....	1,650	2,000

Withdrawn from store on Friday for city consumption: 1,543 bu wheat; 13,163 bu corn; 5,473 bu oats; 1,321 bu rye; 5,759 bu barley. Withdrawn for do during the past week: 14,615 bu wheat; 86,647 bu corn; 35,783 bu oats; 5,563 bu rye; 49,972 bu barley.

The following grain has been inspected into store this morning, up to 10 o'clock: 153 cars wheat; 89 cars corn; 33 cars oats; 13 cars rye; 41 cars barley. Total, 334 cars, or 131,000 bu.

The following were the receipts and shipments of breadstuffs and stock at this port for the week ending with this morning, and for other weeks ending as dated:

	RECEIPTS.			SHIPMENTS.		
	Dec. 7, '72.	Nov. 30, '72.	Dec. 9, '71.	Dec. 7, '72.	Nov. 30, '72.	Dec. 9, '71.
Flour, brls	53,138	51,322	34,378	....	....	....
Wheat, bu	308,900	266,660	150,610	....	....	....
Corn, bu	227,000	238,850	240,640	....	....	....
Oats, bu	107,868	363,070	148,452	....	....	....
Rye, bu	17,311	16,368	13,694	....	....	....
Barley, bu	138,900	122,936	67,103	....	....	....
Dressed hogs	2,288	....	1,048	....	....	....
Live hogs, No	126,000	139,000	135,000	....	....	....
Cattle, No	12,849	10,498	8,148	....	....	....
	SHIPMENTS.					
Flour, brls	32,597	28,290	17,140	....	....	....
Wheat, bu	168,148	218,229	71,110	....	....	....
Corn, bu	20,454	88,264	115,983	....	....	....
Oats, bu	79,473	154,188	86,316	....	....	....
Rye, bu	16,179	4,464	6,617	....	....	....
Barley, bu	126,996	135,318	64,701	....	....	....
Dressed hogs	1,299	1,830	2,695	....	....	....
Live hogs, No	22,762	25,976	21,491	....	....	....
Cattle, No	6,338	4,581	5,476	....	....	....

It is understood that a bill is being drafted, which it is intended shall be presented at the next session of the Legislature, to take the place of the present Warehouse law. The intent of the framers is said to be to eliminate all the features which are unjust to the warehousemen, while it provides a system of inspection and registration that will furnish an efficient supervision of fraud, should it be attempted in the future. It is very desirable that harmonious action should be secured in some way, if possible. There is every reason to believe that the present warehousemen, without an exception, are anxious to conduct their business squarely and above board, and to do its accomplishment a law that will protect the rights of *all* parties affected by it. With regard to storage rates, we have several times called attention to the fact that they will regulate themselves if the monopoly were abolished, because high prices will always bring an increase of competition, irrespective of any law framed. One cent to the bushel is the utility assigned his grain where he pleases, and the storage rates find their own level.

The leading produce markets were less active to-day, but prices were generally well sustained, except in provisions. The excess of orders which caused the recent advance in several of the breadstuffs seemed to have been partially filled, while holders were disposed to recognize the change in the situation, and yesterday's strength and quietness. Our receipts of grain during the past week have been only moderate, but they exceeded the shipments by some 200,000 bu in wheat, and the same in corn, increasing our stocks so much, minus the amounts taken out for city consumption. At this rate our elevators will be choke-full before the opening of navigation in the spring. In the general clearance of the grocery market, there was no noticeable change. A very quiet feeling prevails in all departments, and with the single exception of coffees, which remain strong, the quoted prices were only indifferently sustained. Sugars are still weak, and will, no doubt, undergo a further decline. The dry goods trade was reported satisfactorily active, the demand for dress goods, staple cottons, woollens, flannels, and fancy goods suitable for the holiday trade, being of liberal character. Prices were uniformly firm. Butter was again fairly active. The outward movement, as well as the inquiry from local consumers, was quite large, and prices were firmly sustained for all descriptions. Choice table grades sold quick at 26@28c. The demand for cheese continues light, neither interior nor local buyers seeming inclined to buy beyond meeting immediate wants. There was no material change in values, 12@13¾c for Western, and 14@15c for New York factory being the prices current. Coalmest with a good demand at full prices. Dried fruits were fairly active, and were generally firm. There was a large demand for raisins, prunes, and currants. Teas remain dull at former quotations. The fish and feathery markets continue active and strong. Oils were quoted unchanged. Carbon and turpentine were in good request and very firm, while other descriptions ruled quiet and easy. Paints, colors, sobacco, and wood sold to a fair extent at the quotations. The demand for lumber was fair to-day, especially for joists, scantling, and fencing; prices were steady at the range of the past week. Brick, lime, cement, &c., were in moderate request for present necessities; prices were without material change. Cooperage was in some demand, and steady at $1.50@1.55 for pork barrels, tierces at $1.80@1.90. Iron, steel, and nails were in moderate request at the decline recently noted; we now quote nails at $4.75 rates, net. Metals and miners' stock were in the usual demand at this season, with quotations steady. Hops were in tolerably fair demand and firm; prime Wisconsin quoted at 35c. Wool was in some request, but not quite so active as at the beginning of the week. The market is hardly as strong as it has been, although many dealers believe that present prices will be sustained. Manufacturers are fairly supplied for present necessities. Broom corn is in gradually increasing demand; small orders continue to be received from Eastern dealers, to assort their stocks. A better trade is anticipated next month. Salt was fairly active and steady at $2.40 per brl. Seeds were in moderately fair demand; prices for timothy and clover were higher, $3.25 being paid for strictly prime timothy, and $5.15@5.10 for clover. Potatoes continued in good demand; choice sound lots sold as high as 40c. Poultry was in liberal supply, and sold slowly at lower prices, the inquiry being confined to choice fresh lots. Turkeys were sold at 8@12c, and good chickens at $2.00@2.00. Green fruits were in some demand, but chiefly of a local character; prices were without material change.

Highwines were steady, and more active at the advance gained two days ago. Sales were reported of 250 brls at 88½c.

Dressed hogs were more active, but sadder. The sales would indicate a much larger drop than the one in the price of live hogs; but sales hitherto reported have been made on the street, and can scarcely be compared with those made on Change to-day. Sales were 300 city slaughtered at $4.03½@4.12½ choice at $4.50@4.60; 150 at $4.37½; 30 at $4.25.

Provisions were moderately active, but again weak, the announcement that five hogs were again 5c per 100 lbs lower than the lowest point touched last evening, caused holders of product to weaken in their views, and to show more anxiety to sell than heretofore, while there were few buyers except for lard. The long price of lard is getting to be a great incubus on the consumption, and that fact seems to be already apprehended by wide awake buyers, both in the East and in Europe. But, though they again took hold freely to-day, the market for present delivery declined 10c, and for the more deferred options 5c per 100 lbs. Mess pork fell off 20@25c per brl on near deliveries, and 10c on March, though the shipments of the week were 5,000 brls more than the receipts, and 10,000 brls more than a month ago. Meats were a shade easier at former quotations, buyers for the English market holding off in anticipation of still lower prices. Green hams were active. The market closed at the following range of prices: Mess Pork Old nominal; new per brl, cash seller the month, at $11.25@11.30; do seller January, $11.50@11.55; do seller February, $11.75; do seller March, $11.87½@11.90; do seller April, $12.00; prime mess, $11.00. Lard, cash, 7c for new, cash or seller December; do seller January, 7½c; do seller February, 7¾@7⅞c; do seller March, 7¾c. Sweet pickled hams, 6@10c, as to cure; same at 7¾@8½c for 16 lb averages, and 8¼@8½c for 14 lb averages. Green shoulders, 3½@3¾c; do rough sides, 4½@4¾c; do short ribs, 5¼@5¾c; do short clear, 5¾@6¼c; meats, 15 to 20 days in salt, quotable at 3¾c for shoulders; 5¾c for short ribs, and 6c for short clear. Boxed shoulders, seller December, quoted at 6c. English meats, for delivery in December and January, 5¾@5¾c for Cumberlands; 6¼c for short clear; 8¾@8¾c for long cut hams. Mess beef, $8.50@9.00; extra mess do, $9.50@10.00; beef hams, $23.50@30.00. City tallow, 8@8½c; grease quotable at 6½@6¾c. Sales were reported of 50 brls mess pork at $11.75; 500 brls do at 11.50; 500 brls do seller January at $11.75; 500 tcs lard at 7.06¼; 1,850 tcs do at 7c; 400 tcs do seller January at 7.56; 1,750 tcs do, and 1,250 last evening, seller March, at 7c; 20,000 lbs green shoulders (light) at 4c; 400 tcs Cumberlands at 5c; at 5¼c; 150 bxs short clear, part seller January, at 5¾c; 150 bxs long clear, and 150 bxs short clear, together, at 6.50; 20,000 lbs green hams (16 lbs), at 7c; 140,000 lbs and 5,000 pcs do at 6½c.

The following were the receipts and shipments of provisions at this point during the past week:

	Received.	Shipped.
Beef, brls	70	1,450
Pork, brls	78	20,814
Meats, lbs	1,871,040	5,273,007
Lard, lbs	178,168	3,144,620

The following are the statistics of hog packing to date, in this city, and at a few other points:

	1872.	1871.	1870.
Chicago	2,733,738	2,961,694	1,048,584
Indianapolis	56,000	62,000	57,000
Peoria	15,000	20,000	2,000
Desmoines	11,000	....	....
Kansas City	12,000	....	....

Flour was more active, and strong at yesterday's rates, being in good demand both by shippers and local dealers. The movement was somewhat restricted by the paucity of offerings, especially in the case of choice spring extras. Stocks are light, and as the dealers say, are "badly broken up." Buckwheat flour was firm and bean stronger. Sales were reported of 50 brls white winter extras at $10.00@10.25; 200 brls do at $9.25; 50 brls do at $8.50; 95 brls do at $7.37½; 345 brls on private terms; 200 brls spring extras at $6.00; 100 brls do at $5.75; 100 brls do at $5.20; 900 brls on private terms; 100 brls superfines at $4.75; 161 brls do at $3.50; 74 brls rye flour at $4.00; 200 brls do on private terms; 34 brls buckwheat at $7.87½. Total 3,569 brls. Also, 20 tons bran at $12.50; 20 tons do at $11.50; 10 tons do at $11.25; 20 tons at $11.00; 10 tons at $10.25. The following is the range of prices:

Fair to choice winter extras	$7.50@ 9.75
Red winter extras	6.50@ 7.50
Good to choice spring extras	5.50@ 6.50
Low to medium do	4.50@ 5.25
Good to fancy Minnesota	6.00@ 7.25
Spring superfine	3.00@ 4.50
Rye flour	4.00@ 4.50
Buckwheat flour	7.50@ 8.00
Bran	11.00@12.00
Middlings	12.00@13.00
Cornmeal, kiln-dried	2.15@ 2.25

Wheat was rather less active than on Friday, but strong, and averaged 1c higher, though receipts were free, and Liverpool was reported dull and unchanged. But New York was firm, and our "home talent" was responsible for the rest. Two or three prominent operators were busy, apparently trying to put prices up, and the advance would probably have been greater but for the rumor that some of the friends of the operators sold out on the rise yesterday. That made many cautious who would otherwise have bought in, so that the market was relatively slow, notwithstanding the fact that there were again several Eastern orders on the floor, some of which were filled, while in other cases the advance carried the market beyond the limits of the brokers' Our stock in store is 1,000,000 bu, but during the past week, rising was 180,000 bu in store. Seller the month or January, 1,000,000 bu. No. 2 spring opened at $1.10¾, advanced to $1.11¼, declined to $1.10¾ and advanced to $1.11¼ at the close. Seller January sold at $1.12¾@1.12¾, and seller February at $1.13¾@1.14, both closing at the outside. There was but a poor demand for cash lots for shipment. No. 1 spring closed from $1.20 to $1.21. No. 2 spring at $1.01 and rejected do at 91c. No. 3 spring at $1.01 and rejected do at 91c. Cash sales were reported of 400 bu No. 1 spring at $1.20; 10,000 bu do at $1.11¼; 15,000 bu do at $1.11¾; 10,000 bu do at $1.11¼; 24,600 bu do at $1.11¾; 8,200 bu do at $1.11; 800 bu do at $1.10½; 1,600 bu No. 3 spring at $1.02; 800 bu do at $1.01¾; 7,200 bu do at $1.01¾; 1,200 bu do at $1.00¾; 2,400 bu rejected spring at 91c; 400 bu red winter at $1.55, on track. Total, 108,000 bu.

Corn was quiet, but averaged ¼c higher, in sympathy with wheat; and was in fair demand near the close of the season, owing to advices of better strength in New York. Otherwise dull. There was no shipping demand, and not much inquiry for this month. The trading was chiefly in seller January, which opened at 38c, and declined to 37¾c at the close. Seller the month, advanced to 37¾c at the close. Seller the month, or cash No. 2, opened at 39¾c, and closed at 40c. Seller January, which opened at 38c, and declined to 37¾c at the close, closing at 38c. Rejected was scarce and firmer, closing at 23c. Cash sales were reported of 18,600 bu No. 2 at 37¾c; 26,200 bu do at 39¾c; 2,400 bu do at 39¾c; 3,200 bu do at 38¾c; 1,600 bu rejected at 23c; 3,200 bu do at 23c; 1,600 bu ear at 33c on track. Total, 78,600 bu.

Oats were less active, and averaged ¾@⅞c lower, under a lessened demand. As noted this morning, the street speculative movement of the past few days was only temporary, and there is no considerable difficulty experienced to-day in effecting sales at the range of the market. Seller the month selling, even at the decline. Seller the month sold at 29¾@29¾c, closing at 29¾c; seller January sold at 25@25¼c, closing at 26¾c; and seller February sold at 25¾@26c. Rejected was dull. Cash sales were reported of 400 bu No. 2 at 29¾c; 400 bu do at 29¾c; 5,000 bu do at 29¾c; 5,000 bu do at 29¾c; 1,200 bu do at 30c; 800 bu rejected at 25¾c; 2,000 bu do at 25¾c; 800 bu do at 25¾c; 1,600 bu rejected at 23c; 800 bu do at 23c; 400 bu by sample at 33c; 800 bu do at 35c; 600 bu do at 34c; 800 bu do at 30c; 800 bu do at 75c; 800 bu do at 55c, all on track. Total, 43,200 bu.

RATES.

In the afternoon wheat was fairly active, and steady. No. 2 spring sold at $1.11¼@1.12, seller the month, and $1.13¼@1.13, seller January; both closing at the inside. Corn was quiet at 37¾c cash or seller the month, and 38¼c seller January. Other grain and provisions were inactive.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Review for the Week Ending Dec. 7.

SATURDAY EVENING, Dec. 7.

The receipts of live stock during the week were as follows:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Monday	2,598	24,360	548
Tuesday	3,973	27,441	1,133
Wednesday	2,427	28,787	512
Thursday	2,812	26,763	1,577
Friday	1,763	23,637	209
Saturday	1,100	17,000	180
Total	13,403	143,833	4,259
Last week	9,440	126,163	6,131
Week before last	15,565	89,491	6,691
Week ending Nov. 25	13,919	71,184	8,060
Total 4 weeks	52,327	430,676	24,850
Since Oct. 1, 1872	134,244	747,193	56,901
Same period in 1871	90,429	706,893	41,558
Increase